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AT THE NATIONAL CAPITAL

EDUCATIONAL WEEK AT WASHINGTON, D. C.

PRESIDENT TAFT ADDRESSES HOWARD

Successful Year in Institution—Editor Johnson in Town—Collector Anderson Will Deliver Address to Public Schools.

(Thompson's National News Bureau.)

WASHINGTON, D. C., June 1.—The masterly address of President William Howard Taft at the commencement exercises of Howard University last Wednesday came as a refreshing breeze after a season of drought. Mr. Taft's deliverance before the faculty, students and friends of the race's principal institution for the higher education was simple, direct and earnest. His sentiments, spoken in such plain and unequivocal manner, admitted of no misconstruction by the most captious. He indulged in no rhetorical frills, bolstered up no false theories by an attempt at fine phrasing, and gave no hope to the enemies of our people by placing any limitation upon the possibilities of those who strive intelligently and persistently for the highest goals of citizenship. In short, the President, in the language of the commonalty, "got right down to brass tacks" from the outset, and handled the educational aspect of the race problem without gloves.

No speech that the President has heretofore delivered has contained so much solid encouragement to the Negro people. At no previous time has he shown more conclusively that he is deeply concerned about our welfare as a race than on this occasion. He spoke as a personal friend, as well as a national magistrate. In pointing out our elements of strength and not overlooking some timely warnings as to our weaknesses, he rendered the race a service, for only in candid statement can we discover the helpful truth. In exposing the insincerity of the South on the Negro question, and in encouraging the races to cultivate friendly relations and mutual respect and confidence, he struck a keynote that met the sanction of all who wish for a united, prosperous and happy nation.

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The President's reception on Howard Campus was enthusiastic to the last degree. Owing to the inclement weather the exercises planned for out of doors had to be held in Andrew Rankin Memorial Chapel. Two thousand five hundred persons fought their way into this building and heard his thrilling address. In the course of his remarks he was frequently interrupted by long and hearty applause, and particularly well pleased were all with his declaration that Howard University stood as the partial repayment of a debt to a race to which the government and the people of the United States are eternally indebted, concluding with the pledge that he would do all that lay within his power as an executive to help the institution, an ideal agency for moral, intellectual and material uplifht of the Negro people. Every heart was touched by this frank avowal, and the house rang with continued cheering and fervent "amens." Six thousand men, women and children witnessed the laying of the corner stone of the $50,000 Carnegie Library by the President, and the brief speech of dedication, coupled with the echo of the chapel deliverance made Mr. Taft at that moment the most popular living American as far as the Negro could make him so.

The President's speech was delivered upon a fitting occasion for the emphasis of Negro opportunity and Negro duty, and he made the most of it. It will easily rank with the most notable state papers in the history of our country, and will live long in the memory of a grateful constituency. It should be read in full in every Negro home in the land, and should form a permanent part of the archives of every school house controlled by our people. More and more the thinking colored citizens of the nation are coming to realize that William Howard Taft is a statesman of the loftiest type, and a Chief Magistrate who will do his level best to administer this government in the spirit of the Constitution written by the fathers of the Republic and strengthened and revitalized by the war amendments.

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Last week was indeed "educational week" in Washington. The several departments of Howard University held their commencement exercises at various times, according to the widely-circulated program. On the 26th, as has been told so graphically by the Associated Press, the "big event" took place, with the President of the United States as the stellar attraction. With his own hands the Chief Executive handed out the long-coveted "sheepskins" to about 150 graduates in the arts and science departments, in medicine, theology, law, pharmacy, pedagogy, dentistry and other divisions and special courses. The annual competitive drill of the five companies of the High School Cadets was held Tuesday afternoon at American League Park, in the presence of a brilliant and fashionable audience of fond parents, adoring sweethearts and sympathetic sisters and brothers, uncles and aunts, numbering upwards of 10,000. Company E of Armstrong Technical School won the flag, after a hard-fought battle with the other four companies, A and B from M street High School and C and D from Armstrong. The judges were Lieut. Benjamin O. Davis, of the 10th Cavalry, United States Army, Lieut. James E. Walker and Lieut. Thomas O. Jones, of the District National Guard. Commissioner Macfarland presented the pennant to Capt. Alrutheas Taylor, of Company E, and each man got a badge. Lawyer R. R. Horner, of the Board of Education, presented silver medals to Lieuts. Stevens and Carter after Capt. Taylor had been decorated with a gold medal. Supt. R. C. Bruce, Military Instructor, Major Arthur Brooks and Principals Jackson and Evans were warmly congratulated over the successful outcome of the year's work of the hustling high school boys under their care. The officers of the battalion were Major Clyde McDuffie and Adjutant William M. Dent. The captains were: Company A, Burnette Robinson; Company B, H. Bray; Company C, Alphone Burwell; Company D, Ernest Hardy; Company E, Alrutheas Tayolr. The triumph of Company E is all the more noteworthy because it is the youngest company, having been formed only in February, from the increased number of boys entering Armstrong at the beginning of the February semester. Victors and vanquished banqueted Tuesday night at the M Street High School and made the welkin ring.

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Editor W. E. Johnson, of the Standard, published at Lexington, Ky., was in town this week looking over the field. He is accredited by the sharp-shooters hereabouts with having an ambition to be Recorder of Deeds. Editor Johnson had a very satisfactory interview with President Taft, with whom he has been personally acquainted for more than twenty years, and the close friends of the brainy Kentuckian say that he received positive assurance that something good would likely come his way ere the snow flies. Mr. Johnson was among the first to wave the Taft banner in Kentucky, when the State seemed hopelessly against the genial Wa eerrSct.. G lessly against the genial War Secretary; but, with characteristic courage, he girded up his loins and helped very materially to turn the tide and send a solid Taft delegation to the Chicago convention. Mr. Johnson was himself a candidate on the Taft ticket. While here Editor Johnson met all of the "Black Cabinet," and was given the glad hand. It is stated that if Mr. Johnson succeeds in landing in Washington he may bring his paper with him and treat the slow-going denizens of the nation's capital to a sample of genuine "Blue Grass" editorial thunder. It is certain that something will be doing when Brother Johnson takes hold of the helm here or anywhere else.

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At the regular annual meeting of the Board of Trustees of Howard University Prof. George William Cook, dean of the commercial department and acting secretary for several months, was unanimously elected permanent secretary. Prof. Cook came to the school in 1874 as a student, became a tutor immediately upon graduation, and has made the institution his home ever since, with the exception of one year, when he was loaned to the District authorities for the purpose of establishing at Blue Plains, on the Potomac, a home school for colored children. Closing his work there, he nominated a successor and returned to his alma mater. Prof. Cook is a member also of the Board of Associated Charities, and takes an active part in the work of that body. A notable addition was made to the faculty in the person of Prof. Richard R. Wright, Jr., of Philadelphia, who comes by unanimous election to take the newly created chair of sociology, and will also instruct in German. Prof. Wright is a graduate of the University of Pennsylvania, and has carried on some valuable sociological investigations among the Philadelphia Negroes at the instance of this school. For a number of months he has been serving as editor and business manager of the Christian Recorder, filling out the unexpired terms of Drs. Johnson and Collett, the former of whom is on sick leave and the latter is dead. The coming of Prof. Wright to Washington will make it necessary for the A. M. E. publishing board to find another man to run the Recorder. Prof. Wright will make a very desirable addition to the colony of expert scientists in this city.

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Apropos of the selection of another editor for the Christian Recorder, the name of Rev. A. L. Gaines, of Baltimore, is again brought to the fore. Dr. Gaines is an able writer, an experienced financier, has a thorough knowledge of the needs of the church, and is conversant with the speediest method by which a great ecclesiastical organ can be built up. In the existing crisis may it not be permissible to repeat our former declaration that "the A. M. E. Church will gain by taking Gaines?"

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Auditor Ralph W. Tyler is in receipt of a handsome photograph, sent as a personal gift of the President, in recognition of his valuable services to the party and loyalty to his own fortunes, covering a period of several years. The photo bore the inscription in the President's own hand, "For Ralph W. Tyler, with friendship and best wishes of William H. Taft." It is needless to say that the Auditor prizes this gift very highly.

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Collector Charles W. Anderson, of New York, who comes in a few days to deliver the commencement address for the public schools of Washington, is to be given a royal reception by his host of friends here. An automobile rade, a shad bake at Washington Park on the Potomac, and a monster stag are a few of the things proposed in his honor.

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Attorney Albert S. White, of Louisville, is expected in the city this week on legal business. Mr. White has been strongly endorsed by Senator Bradley for a high-grade appointment in the federal service, at home or abroad, and was presented to the President on the occasion of his visit here some weeks ago.

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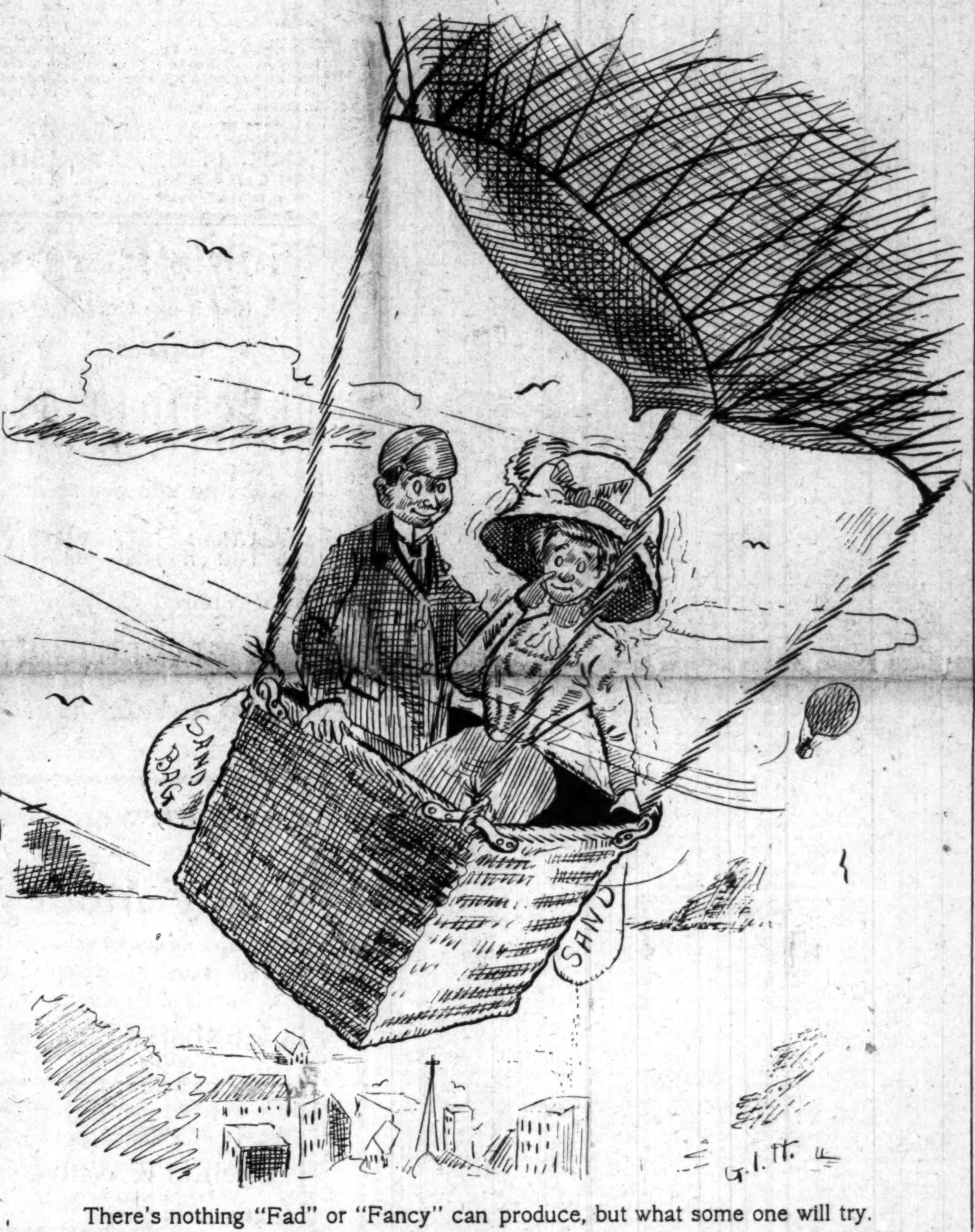

There's nothing "Fad" or "Fancy" can produce, but what some one will try.

NEWS NOTES OF THE NATION'S CAPITAL.

Those who are disposed to berate the President for what they fear his Southern policy may mean to the Negro office-holders of the South should not overlook the fact that Walter L. Cohen, Register of the Land Office at New Orleans, has been given positive assurance that he will be reappointed, and that Collectors H. A. Rucker, J. H. Deveaux, Robert Smalls, Joseph E. Lee and others are drawing their salaries, without hint from headquarters that they are in any immediate danger of the headsman. It is being impressed upon the thinking element of our body politic that Mr. Taft is not the President of any single faction or race or party, but the chief executive of the whole people.

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The Negro employes of the general government number something over 13,000, and draw more than $8,000,000, in round figures, from the United States Treasury every year. The total has nearly trebled in money received by Negroes since the accession of Roosevelt to the Presidency, and the indications are that the three-times mark will be reached before the retirement of President Taft.

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Your correspondent is indebted to Dr. Henry W. Furniss, Minister to Haiti, for copies of Le Matin and Le Nouvelliste, principal newspapers of Port-au-Prince, the Haytien seat of government, containing very full accounts of the grand ball and reception given by Dr. Furniss at the American Legation in honor of the inauguration of Taft and Sherman. Minister and Mrs. Furniss, now in this country visiting friends and relatives, will return to Washington before sailing for Haiti.

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Some material improvements are to be made shortly in the furnishings of the office of Special Assistant District Attorney James A. Cobb. This capable representative of the Department of Justice in the handling of cases under the pure food and naturalization laws has a spacious suite of rooms in the building in which is held the sessions of the Police Court of the District, and is one of the points of interest sought out by colored sight-seers when they come to ahe capital.

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Chaplain W. W. E. Gladden, of the Twenty-fourth Infantry, has been serving as a member of the Board of Inquiry, by designation of the Secretary of War, to devise ways and means for increasing the efficiency of chplains in the United States Army. The sittings were held at Fort Leavenworth, Kan., and the suggestions put forth by Dr. Gladden were given a very attentive and cordial hearing. He was the only colored member of the board, and the first of the race to be called upon to act in such a capacity.

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The Post-Graduate School of Medicine and Dentistry, fostered by the Medical Department of Howard University, has opened auspiciously, under the personal supervision of Drs. W. C. McNeill, A. M. Curtis, D. S. Lamb and Dean E. A. Balloch. Dr. C. Sumner Wormley, president of the Washington Association of Dentists, has a splendid class in dentistry, and is one of the mainstays of the post-graduate school movement. The institution will continue for several weeks yet, and appreciable good is already being accomplished.

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Messrs. W. T. Menard, George H. Proctor, W. E. Cobb and Elias S. Cobb, linotype operators at the Government Printing Office, long employed at this great printery and well known throughout the country as expert workmen and prominent in fraternity circles, have been furloughed for a short period, owing to a scarcity of work.

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William Polk, for many years principal musician (assistant leader) of the band of the Twenty-fourth Infantry, stationed at Madison Barracks, Sackett's Harbor, New York, has been designated by the War Department as Chief Musician of the Regiment, to succeed Wilfred O. Thompson (white), transferred to Fort Sam Houston, Texas, in corformity with the order of President Roosevelt to place colored bandmasters at the head of Negro regimental bands as rapidly as openings could be made for them. This gives the race three of the four bandmasters provided for the Negro regiments in the United States Army, with one Negro principal musician acting as bandmaster in the fourth regiment. The appointment of Chief Musician Polk is another gratifying installment in the great victory achieved by Emmett J. Scott in pushing to a finish the movement to have Negro bandmasters in charge of all the Negro regiments of the army.

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Lawyer Thomas L. Jones, a practitioner of high standing at the District bar, is said to be booked for a responsible assignment under the Department of Justice, in recognition of his effective labors for Taft and Sherman in the recent campaign in Maryland, Delaware, West Virginia and other States. Mr. Jones is regarded as one of the most magnetic orators in the country, and is to be utilized as far as his time will permit by the Republican authorities in Maryland this fall to insure the defeat of the disfranchisement amendment which is to be voted upon by the people in November.

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Grateful acknowledgment is made of invitations to attend the commencements of Tuskegee Institute, Livingstone College, Howard University, Wilberforce University, the Curry School and the Western University. We are under obligations to Assistant Superintendent Roscoe Conkling Bruce, of the Washington public schools, for box seats at the drill of the High School Cadets, and for a similar favor in connection with the joint commencement of the high and normal schools at Convention Hall.

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Chaplain W. T. Anderson, of the Tenth Cavalry, is in the city, circulating among friends and old comrades. He is looking none the worse for his strenuous campaign in the Philippines. Through the efforts of Auditor Ralph W. Tyler, Chaplain Anderson was, not long ago, raised to the rank of a Major, with all the honors, emoluments and privileges attaching thereunto. Last Sunday the Chaplain delivered an instructive address to the Y. M. C. A. at True Reformers' Hall. Like Secretary Lewis E. Johnson, upon whose invitation he spoke, Chaplain Anderson is a Cleveland boy.

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Arrangements are being made for the sessions of the Grand Lodge of the Knights of Pythias of Maryland and Washington, which are to be held in Cambridge, Md., July 19 to 22. Indications point to an unusually large attendance, and the contest for the principal offices bids fair to be a hot one. The present Grand Chancellor, George A. Watty, has a host of friends who are pushing his claims for re-election. His administration has been marked by vast improvement in the order. The membership has been increased, the finances have been put on a solid basis, and at no time in the history of Pythianism in this jurisdiction has there been a stronger spirit of brotherhood and harmony of purpose than now. Other candidates mentioned are Truly Hatchett, who made a fine race last year, Samuel D. Hayward, and perhaps George H. Carter. Lawyer Thomas L. Jones, of the District bar, will take an active part in the proceedings, and an effort will be made to have him accept some official honor, which he has steadily declined for several years past. The most notable social function of last year's convention here was the banquet tendered by Lawyer Jones in honor of the official staff of the Grand Lodge.

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The assignments for the Zion pulpits of the Washington District by the Philadelphia and Baltimore Conference of that denomination at the Williamsport, Pa., Conference, are as follows: M. L. Blalock, presiding elder; Metropolitan, W. A. Ray; Galbraith (eighth year), S. L. Corrothers; John Wesley, C. C. Alleyn; Union Wesley, W. H. Ferguson; Arlington, H. W. Smith; Burrville, Logan Johnson; Trinity, to be supplied. Bishop J. W. Smith, of this city, presided over the deliberations of the conference.

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The unanimous election of Col. Roscoe Conkling Simmons, editor of the New York National Review, as Grand Chancellor of the New York Grand Lodge, Knights of Pythias, at the recent conclave in Mamaroneck, N. Y., gives great pleasure to his many friends at the national capital, where he resided for a number of years and contributed generously to the various movements for the uplift of the community. In fraternity and journalistic work Col. Simmons has been rendering yeoman service, and the reward that has come to him has been richly merited.

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The Colored Laborers' Building and Loan Association, made up of about 400 men actively engaged in the building trades, is preparing to put up a three-story apartment house near the corner of Eleventh and U streets on their lot adjoining their present $10,000 two-story flats. John W. Lewis, a practical mechanic and large contractor, is the organizer and president of the association, and W. Sidney Pittman is its regularly employed architect. Mr. Lewis is authority for the statement that there is on foot a plan to erect in the heart of Washington's business center a $400,000 theater for the especial accommodation of the 100,000 colored people of the District, who are shamefully discriminated against at all of the theaters operated by the white race. Mr. Lewis says there is an abundance of

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MISS BURROUGHS RETURNS

FROM PROFITABLE TOUR IN SEVERAL STATES

IN INTEREST OF MISSIONARY WORK

Among the Baptist—Dr. Mason in the City—New Club Organized for Church Work—Dr. Jordan in the East.

By CARY B. LEWIS.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., June 1.—Miss Nannie H. Burroughs, secretary of the National Baptist Women's Convention, has returned to the city from a trip to the western part of the country. She visited Quincy, Ill., St. Joseph, Mo., Kansas City and St. Louis, Mo. Miss Burroughs stated that at no time in her life has she been more royally received by a Christian body of people than on her recent tour. Friends of her work and members of other denominations vied with each other to make her stay both pleasant and profitable.

Miss Burroughs was accompanied by Miss Geneva Cowles, one of the stenographers in the Baptist Foreign Mission rooms. Miss Cowles is a sweet singer, and at the various churches where Miss Burroughs spoke she rendered a number of choice solos that were highly appreciated.

Miss Burroughs spoke at the Illinois Baptist State Convention at Quincy, Ill., and also for the Francis Street Baptist Church at St. Joseph, Mo. While in Kansas City she was especially invited to address the Quindaro University, the school made famous by the presidency of the Hon. W. T. Vernon, Register of the United States Treasury. It is said that her educational address on this occasion was one of the best that has ever been heard at the institution. She was given a royal reception by Acting President Dr. Shelton French and the students of the school.

She reached the climax of her trip when she arrived at St. Louis, Mo., where she went to be with the St. Louis Baptist Union to hold an educational and a missionary institute. This meeting was held at the Galilee Baptist Church, of which Rev. E. G. Golsby is pastor.

Both Home and Foreign Mission work was the subject of Miss Burroughs' addresses. She placed special stress upon the work of the Baptist women of the country, and told in a graphic manner the good service they were giving for the uplift of Christian womanhood.

She also told of the aims and objects of the National Training School, Washington, D. C. During the discussions on various subjects Miss Burroughs gave the institute the benefit of her counsel and advice. It is said that the meeting was the most largely attended and the most successful of its kind ever held in St. Louis.

Miss Burroughs is much pleased with her trip, also Miss Cowles, and they claim that it marks the beginning of great things in the Home and Foregn Missionary work among the Baptists of the West.

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The Negroes of this city are considering seriously the matter of Louisville being the place for holding the celebration incident to the fiftieth anniversary of the emancipation of the Negroes. A number of communications have been received by leading citizens bearing on the proposed celebration. The correspondent rises to nominate Louisville for the place, for the reason that it is one of the most centrally located cities in the country, and that the feeling between the races is conducive for such a celebration, and that the friends of the race would give their best efforts toward its success if the proper men were at the head of the movement.

The plans contemplate an industrial exposition, where exhibits showing the progress of the race in the half century may be placed. It is proposed that educators from all parts of the country would be enlisted in the movement, and that the guiding hand of Booker T. Washington should be manifested in its growth and development.

It is planned to show the evolution of Negro music, and that one of the principal forms of entertainments would be to have a chorus of 500 voices, trained for the occasion, to sing purely Negro selections under the direction of a competent musical director.

The greatest feature is expected to be the industrial exhibits from the schools of the South, including industrial, normal, academic, colleges, high schools and universities. Special exhibits will be urged to be sent from other sections of the country where Negro children attend.

Industrial and handicraft work of the Negro from all parts of the country will be sought after by a traveling agent, who is to be assisted by other agents in each State, city and town.

The month of August, 1913, is the date that will be most likely accepted to hold the fiftieth anniversary of the Negro's freedom. The matter has been broached by a number of white and colored citizens of the city, and it is being carefully considered. We would be pleased to hear from other newspapers on the question.

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Louisville was visited last week by Dr. M. C. B. Mason, of Cincinnati, secretary of the Freedman's Aid Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church. He was the guest of Dr. J. A. C. Lattimore, 1502 West Walnut street, and was royally entertained at his palatial home. Dr. Mason came here to address a mass meeting of the Young Men's Christian Association, Sunday, at the Fifth Street Baptist Church. The speaker's subject was "Enthusiasm," and he spoke of the enthusiasm of men in their business affairs, and said that the same should be manifested to-day along Christion lines. He urged the members of the Young Men's Christian Association to transmit their enthusiasm and zeal to others, so that the work here would grow and be a benefit to the community.

Dr. Mason cited instances of the lack of personal effort in the religious life of the Negro, and gave some good advice to the members of the association that may

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General News

TUSCUMBIA, ALA.

Special to **THE FREEMAN.**

Mose Betts, of Tuscumbia, fell from a run at the Kingbee stove foundry in Sheffield, a distance of about twelve feet, and received a very painful wound, several days ago. He is able to be out again...The District Conference of the A. M. E. Church held its session last week. It was a very successful one, both spiritually and financially. P. E. Warren presided.

WASHINGTON, PA.

Special to **THE FREEMAN.**

Rev. D. F. Caliman, of Cincinnati, Ohio, who for five years was pastor of St. Paul A. M. E. Church of this city, assisted the present pastor, Rev. Askew Sabbath, in the close of the grand rally. He was warmly greeted by all, and as he has in the past, delivered three able, instructive and inspiring sermonts...Earl G. Moseley, of Pittsburg, former well-known Washington young man, spent two days last week in the city.

SHEFFIELD, ALA.

Special to **THE FREEMAN.**

R. P. Sims, who has been very ill for several weeks, died last week. The funeral services were held at the A. M. E. Church Monday of last week at 11 a. m. Rev. R. F. Ford conducted the services, assisted by Rev. Willis. Mr. Fields, undertaker, had charge of the remains, also of Mrs. Mary Griffin, who died Sunday... Mrs. Vina Weakley died Sunday.

BIG SANDY, TEX.

Special to **THE FREEMAN.**

This beautiful town is about twenty-four miles from Mineola, on the Texas & Pacific Railroad. There are three churches here, and all in good shape. There are five brick buildings here, and they will soon be completed....Mrs. Mahalie Bullard has a nice residence....The Freeman, the best Negro newspaper, is sold by Sandy Anderson each week.

MILWAUKEE, WIS.

Special to **THE FREEMAN.**

Mrs. Mary Nobles is very ill at 188 6th street....There are six candidates to be initiated in the Cahtolic Order of Foresters June 1 under Captain Vale...The colored boys have got the wash rooms at the Plankinton House again...The Freeman for sale at Walter Edwards' cigar and newstand, 192 4th street...Harris S. Jones is visiting his mother, who is quite ill in Nashville, Tenn.

CHATTANOOGA, TENN.

Special to **THE FREEMAN.**

The funeral of Rev. R. M. Devine, pastor of the Harrison A. M. E. Church, took place Sunday, May 16. He was well known to the entire community and was instrumental in the erection of the first brick church in the city. The sermon was delivered by Rev. R. M. Simmons, pastor of the St. Elmo A. M. E. Zion Church. The music was furnished by the choir under the direction of Mrs. M. B. Rogers. Interment at Forest Hill Cemetery....Rev. I. H. Welch, pastor of the A. M. E. Church, has gone to Wilberforce, O., and will attend the commencement.

CLEVES, OHIO.

Special to **THE FREEMAN.**

Mrs. Ida Neal and daughter, Miss Syble Neal, attended services at the A. M. E. Church, in Sekiton, Sunday, and while there Miss Neal was the guest of Mrs. Alberta Griggs in the afternoon.....Mrs. Harry Walton and Mrs. Harrison were the guests of Mrs. Lena Lewis, Sunday, at her home on High street, in Sekiton....Rev. J. W. White, pastor of the A. M. E. Church, announced the rally at his church the second Sunday in June. Rev. J. H. Brooks, Rev. W. H. Blackburn and Rev. Geo. Lewis have been engaged for the day. The visitors will be well cared for. All are invited to come.

QUINCY, ILL.

Special to **THE FREEMAN.**

The Baptist State Convention and the Women's Educational and Mission Convention convened at the Eighth and Elm Streets Baptist Church last week. The ladies held their session the first part of the week. Among the ladies were Miss Nannie H. Burrough, who delivered an address to the Women's Education and Mission and also to the state convention. She was introduced by Mrs. Payton, of Chicago, Ill. A banquet was given the delegates on Friday evening, which proved to a brilliant success. At the last business session the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: President, Rev. T. L. Smith, D. D.; first vice president, Rev. Jordan Chavis, D. D.; second vice president, Rev. N. Alexander, D. D.; third vice president, Rev. C. C. Phillips; corresponding secretary, Prof. C. C. Wilson; recording secretary, D. H. Harris, D. D.; additional members of the executive board, Revs. E. T. Martin, E. J. Fish, P. A. Jones, J. B. McCreary, J. A. Royal, D. V. Bahawan, B. L. Ivory. There was a big mass meeting at the Eighth and Elm Streets Church last Sunday.

CLARKSVILLE, TENN.

Special to **THE FREEMAN.**

The graduating exercises of the colored high school were held at the Opera House May 21. A large crowd was present and the following program was well rendered by members of the 1909 class: Music, orchestra. Invocation. Music, orchestra, "Is Life Worth Living?" Barbara Buck, solo, "To the End of the World with You." Addie Caldwell. "Value of Reputation, Virginia Carney. Chorus, "Fairyland Waltz" "The Sunset of Battle," Elizabeth Ramey. Solo, "A May Morning," Bessie Whitfeld. "Dignity of Labor," Lee Dabney. Music, orchestra. "Ruins of Time," L. Barker. Music, orchestra. Commencement address, Dr. C. H. Boone. Music, orchestra. Awarding diplomas. Chorus, "Goodnight, Beloved." Benediction. The class roll is as follows: Leeotis Dabney, Addell McCurdy, Virginia Carney, Lizzie M. Ramey, Emma E. Williams, Addie L. Caldwell, Edna Beasley, Perlie A. Barker, Lorena W. Barker, Barbara E. Buck, Hattie M. Polk, Georgia L. Roberts, Pearlie O. McCurdy. At night a beautiful cantata was rendered by the pupils...Mrs. Sarah Bronaugh was a delegate to the Grand Army session held at Covington, Ky.... Mrs. Martha Garrett spent Sunday in Louisville.

PALESTINE, TEX.

Special to **THE FREEMAN.**

The twenty-fifth annual Conclave of the Grand Lodges of Knights of Pythias and the twelfth annual session of the Grand Court of Calanthe, under the Supreme Jurisdiction of North America, South America, Europe, Asia, Africa and Australia, will convene in this city June 8, 9, 10 and 11, under the auspices of Hearts of Oak Lodge No. 39, Langston Lodge No. 115, Pride of East Lodge No. 121, Ethel Lodge No. 319, Hearts of Love Court No. 16, Hearts of Oak Court No. 103 and Holy City Court No. 161. The session of the grand lodges will be held at Library Hall and the grand courts at City Hall. The annual meeting of the endowment board and board of directors will be held on Monday, at 9 o'clock. The welcome address in behalf of the citizens will be made by the mayor, Hon. A. L. Bowers. Response in behalf of the Grand Lodge by Hon. W. E. King, Dallas, Tex. Welcome address on behalf of local lodges by Chas. G. Simpson, D. D., G. C. Response by Hon. L. B. Kinchion, Grand Lecturer, Austin, Tex. Welcome address in behalf of local courts, Mrs. E. R. Gaston. Response in behalf of grand court, Mrs. A. B. Thomas, Waco, Tex. The meeting promises to be greater and grander than any ever held in the state.

ORANGEBURG, S. C.

Special to **THE FREEMAN.**

At a recent meeting of the State College trustees, the following new teachers were elected for next term: Misses Cora Muldrow, of Sumter; Ida Patrick, of Blackville, and Ella Levy, a charming young lady of this city....Misses Alice and Alemetta Franklin last last Saturday for their home in New York....Mr. Eugene Frazier, a popular young man of Asheville, N. C., spent commencement with Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Lawton....Capt. C. H. Donnelly, the barber, has completed his handsome new cottage on Windsor street.... Mr. Harry Miller, who has been attending school in Augusta, is home for the summer....Mr. G. W. Stroman has secured a position with the City Shaving Parlor.... Col. T. J. Levy, the veteran barber of Orangeburg, has just finished overhauling his shop, which is one of the most modern Daisy Lawton and bJ6HIns5xR:IcUShrd white shops in South Carolina....Miss Daisy Lawton and Miss Middleton and Mrs. Zellie Eaton were among those who took advantage of the special excursion to New York....Mr. Minus, of Greenville, is the guest of Mr. Marion Fordham.

DALLAS, TEX.

Special to **THE FREEMAN.**

See J. G. Griffin for The Freeman, at 190 Main street. Leave your news items, the arrival and departure of your friends. All news and ads. receive prompt attention at all times...The Dallas delegation at the K. of P. Grand Lodge will let the members of the order know that they are for strictly business in this session... While at Palistine Companies 4 and 5 will go into Camp Roberts Thursday morning, June 10 and 11, at which time the big annual dress parade competitive drill will take place at Odd Fellows Park Friday night...Farmers over the state are all happy since we had the rain, as it was very general all over the state...Mrs. Elijah Cooper, on State street, is up after several weeks illness...Let all the lodges and societies get together for the sole purpose of buiying and building a place large enough for the coming together of several thousand of our people. It will be a paying investment soon if properly managed...Miss J. A. Thomas, on South Jacinto street, is much improved after several weeks illness. The members of her different lodges looked after her every comfort...Mr. Bennie Tennison has purchased a home in South Dallas for his mother. Let other young men and old men follow this young man's example... W. G. Robinson, of Houston, was called to the bedside of John Parks on Cochran street, who is dangerously all. Also Miss Marietta Gordon, his neice. Mrs. Fannie Parks, his wife, has been at his bedside ever since she arrived from San Antonio. Mrs. J. A. Wagoner is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Markham, in San Antonio...W. O. Lewis is making some fine pictures of our people...We acknowledge the receipt of the inviation to be present at the wedding of Miss Jennettia M. Fuqua to Mr. Fuller, of Muscogee, Oaklo., in June...All Pythians should stand for the adoption of the amended constitution of the order in this jurisdiction at Palestine this session. ...Co. No. 4, Uniform Rank, entertained Monday night at Wiley Park...Dr. L. B. Bluitt spent a few days here as the guest of his brother and friends...The graduating class was the attraction at Fair Park Auditorium this week...The Order of Pilgrims held their annual exercises at Mount Rose Baptist Church.

KANSAS CITY, MO.

Special to **THE FREEMAN.**

The big minstrel jubilee and May ball given by the Baltimore oHtel waiters May 20 was a grand success. After the passing of the parade led by Prof. R. B. Thomas, Headwaiter Perkins and H. O. Patton, hte patrons, were anxious for night to come, and when at 8:30 the curtain rose the house was filled to its capacity. H. O. Patton, interlocutor, Messrs Young, Daton, Montgomery, Fields and Small deserve special mention. In the afterpart Mr. Rod's singing and the dacing by Miss Hazel Wright were particularly pleasing. The entire entertainment was a pleasant addition to our spring fetes... Chas. Watts, the popular favorite musician of Kansas City, arrived from Honolula direct Saturday, May 22, and states he will reside at home indefinitely. Mr. Watts was injured in a wreck which occurred at Wheeler, Colo., Wednesday, though not serious...Geo. Taylor, an old Kansas City boy, is a wonderful improvement to the Black Patti Troubadors. He is expected soon in our home town after proving himself one of the leading comedians of the race on the western side of the states... The Imperial Orchestra has been reorganized, and we feel it will be a worthy organization...Mr. Watts contemplates a recital in June. He is also jointly connected with Henry Patton in preparing the Savoy Hotel Waiters Female Minstrels, under the personal direction of Messrs. Patton and Watts, which we feel will prove a positive success...Mr. B. Jones, of Deadwood, S. D., is in the city visiting his brother, Mr. M. Jones...The Savoy Hotel waiters gave a banquet at Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Whitnan cafe. The table was beautifully decorated and was laid for eight, W. H. Owens, headwaiter, C. White, captain, J. Frazier, W. Smith, W. Ralston, H. Beach, W. Williams and A. Sanford. Mr. W. H. Owens was speaker of the evening...The trolly party given by the members of Allah Temple Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, to Leavenworth, May 21, was a great success in every way, there was seevn trolly cars which left the city between the hours of 7:30 and 9 a. m., with a total number of some 450 people, and arrived in Leavenworth all in good shape and happy. The people in that city were waiting to greet them with a hearty welcome. The hall was crowded to its utmost capacity and excellent music was furnished by the Fraternal Orchestra, under the guidance of E. S. Baker, Jr., the son of our Sov. G. Ins. G., and dancing was continued until the hour of 10:30, when the floor was cleared for the Arab Patrol drill, which was witnesed by an appreciative audience of 600 for some thirty minutes, then the grand march was put on, led by the full official staff of Allah Temple in their official robes. It was a novel sight to see and will be long remembered by the people of the up-river town. There was plenty of refreshments served by the Nobles, such as are generally indulged in by the members of that noble organization. At the hour of 1 a. m. all had danced to their heart's content and the pilgrimage of the boys in the red fezes with their 450 guests commenced for the return to the mouth of the Kaw.

A VISIT TO THE BLUITT SANITARIUM BY THE THE FREEMAN QUILL-PUSHER.

On April 1 it was our pleasure to make a visit and tour of inspection of the Bluitt Sanitarium. The courtesy was extended to us by the head nurse, Miss Nettie E. Butler, who is a graduate of the Nurses' Training School of Provident Hospital, Chicago, and for many years did private nursing for the noted surgeon, Dr. Daniel H. Williams.

The Bluitt Sanitarium is unquestionably the best regulated instiution for colored people in the country and compares favorably with any hospital it has been our pleasure to inspect. The institution has accommodation for twenty-five or thirty patients and has been kept comfortably filled all the time. It is said by those who are in a position to know that no one surpeon in the city of Dallas does more major operations than does the chief surgeon of this institution. More than 500 operations have been done since the opening of this sanitarium, with 98 per cent. recoveries.

The hospital has been of untold benefit to the colored people throughout the South, especially of the State of Texas.

A nurse's training school has been organized in connection with institution and will open its doors for the reception of pupils on or about September 1.

The management of the sanitarium is preparing to enlarge and remodel the building, which is absolutely necessary in order that we might take care of the increasing demands of this work. Let every loyal citizen in Texas especially lend his support and influence to a cause which promotes the welfare of all the people.

Respectfully, An Observer.

THE NEW LAW TO ELIMINATE NEGROES FROM TRAIN SERVICE.

The lats general assembly of Indiana passed laws which were framed for the purpose of eliminating colored men from the train service on all the railroads of the state under pressure of the Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen, a union labor organization of white trainmen which bars the colared man from its ranks and sets up the claim that wherever a colored man is employed on the railroads some white man is kept out of a good job.

The substance of the law is that two brakemen shall be employed on all passenger trains of five cars or more, and that brakeman shall not be required to perform the duties of a porter, and as two brakemen and a porter would be unnecessary and too expensive the inference is that the porter will go. Some weak-kneed officials of some roads have already dispensed with their tran porters, some have changed the name of porter trainman, while others have expressed a determination to fight the case through all the courts in the land, at least this is the information which comes from the Pennsylvania company.

The Grand Rapids& Indiana railway seems to have found the best way of avoiding trouble with the union labor legislation by simply converting their train porters into full-fledged brakemen, with a brakeman's badge and uniform, and performing only the duties of a brakeman. They are not even permitted to supply the lavatories with soap and towels.

This is very gratifying to the boys on the G. R. & I., and to the race at large, as it shows a disposition on the part of the company to be just and fair and to recognize merit and efficiency whenever and in whomsoever found.

We only hope that the officials of other roads will wake up to the fact that colored men can not only make good as porters, but they can deliver the goods in any other department or capacity on any railroad in America. Although the inducement in regard to salary and promotion has not been sufficiently strong to call forth the best and most competent that there is among us. But it should be the earnest endeavor of those who are now employed in the train service or in other lines of industrial activity, to look well to the interest of the noble-hearted and broad-minded white men and women who are fighting our battles against the strong odds of the union labor trust, and bear in mind that when union labor triumphs in this country without the consent of the Negro starvation will knock practically at every black man's door.

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MORE LIGHT ON THE LIBERIAN SITUATION.

Commenting on a correspondence between the Liberian and British governments, as seen in a Liberian publication, the Record, of Lagos, West Africa, had the following to say:

"After perusing the correspondence, the conviction is forced that the Liberian government has, by the way and manner it contracted the recent loan and consented to European officials managing its customs and other affairs, compromised the independence of the government to the extent of placing the customs and police establishments beyond the control of the Liberian government, making it optional with other governments to dictate as to how and by whom these establishments are to be controlled or managed. Sir Edward Grey's dictum that 'it is doubtful, therefore, whether there is at the present time any scope for the co-operation of the United States government in the customs or police,' makes it clear that the control of these departments is put beyond any option on the part of the Liberian government; and no doubt the American Commissioners will endeavor to ascertain the nature of the arrangement which excludes the United States government from co-operating in promoting the welfare of Liberia in any direction or department which the government of Liberia may deem desirable. The peculiar relation in which the government of the United States stands towards Liberia, and emphasized so pronouncedly in Secretary Root's letter to President Roosevelt, and epitomised in the sentence, 'Liberia is an American colony,' ought to justify an exceptional privilege for the United States government in this respet, except, of course, the Liberian government has vitiated this privilege by some special undertaking with other nations."

A BLOW AT NEGRO WORKMEN.

A special dispatch to the Cincinnati Enquirer recently from Atlanta, Ga., had the following to say:

The labor unions are planning to abolish negroes as an industrial factor, according to General Manager Scott, of the Georgia Railroad, which is crippled by a strike of the white firemen because of the employment of negroes by the road.

"This strike," said Scott," is the skirmish of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen and Enginemen in its plan to drive the negro out of employment on railroads altogether.

"This plan has been smoldering for five years. This strike on the Georgia Railroad is just the first step. I have reason to believe that the same demand will in time, be it sooner or later, be made by officials of this firemen's union to every other railroad in the South.

"The magnates of this brotherhood happened to choose our road as the first wherein to begin the fight against the negro. And the Georgia and Southern Railroad, run by Southerners in a Southern state, is thereby the first to refuse to lie down and yield humbly to the warfare on a raec."

Assistant Grand Chief Burgess of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers, who is here, announces that the brotherhood will not aid the striking firemen, but will force engineers to keep their contrac with the road.

A MOST PECULIAR MUNICIPAL CONDITION.

If the report is correct a most peculiar municipal condition exists at Wagoner, Okla. The report has it that the white people were so chagrined at knowing that the First Ward returned two Negro Councilmen and two Negro school directors that the City Council narrowed the city limits by cutting out the ward altogether. The council found that it had power to increase or diminish the city boundaries.

Evidently the First Ward of Wagoner is a veritable black belt, being able to do pretty much as it pleases. The situation comes nearly being amusing. On its face it is amusing. Just to think that the Negro section is gerrymandered out of municipal existence, because it choose to send four blackmen to the city's representative bodies! What will befall the section? Will the two Negro councilmen run the—well the repudiated? Will the two school directors run the schools? In seeking to preserve themselves, it appears to us that the council of Wagoner has greatly complicated matters. It goes without saying that it got back at the Negroes all right for daring to go their full length, but it is plain that their will have to be some backing down somewhere if the affairs of the community are to get along smoothly.

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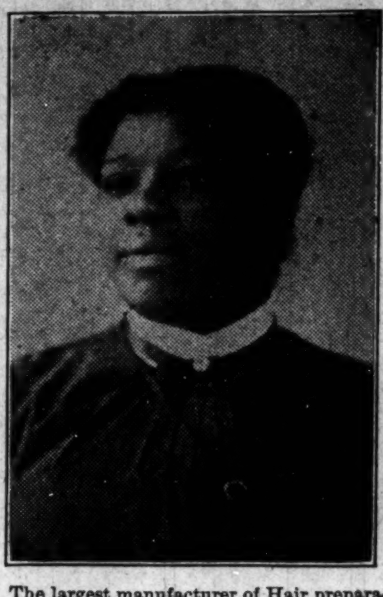

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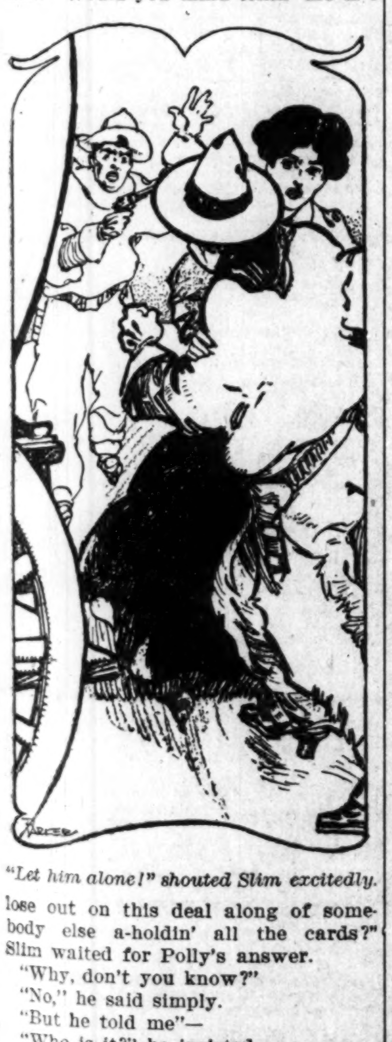
(CONTINUED.)

"You won't hate me, will you, Slim?"

The sheriff took the girl's hands in his and kissed them. "Hate you?" he almost shouted. "Why, I couldn't learn to do that—no, siree—not in a thousand years."

Polly slapped Slim on the back. "I'm glad of that," she cried. "Brace up. You'll get a good wife some day. There's lot of good fish in the sea."

Slim glanced at her ruefully. "I don't feel much like goin' fishin' jest now. Would you mind tellin' me if I lose out on this deal along of somebody else a-holdin' all the cards?" Slim waited for Polly's answer.



"Let him alone!" shouted Slim excitedly.

"Why, don't you know?"

"No," he said simply.

"But he told me"—

"Who is it?" he insisted.

"No; if you don't know his name I won't tell you," decided Polly.

"Mebbe it's jest as well, too," assented Slim. "I don't think I'd feel any too friendly toward him."

Slim moved toward the wagon. The action was purely involuntary, but it frightened Polly so much that she cried aloud.

Slim grasped at once the reason for her fear. "Is the feller in that wagon?" he shouted.

"You wouldn't do him any harm, would you?" cried Polly.

"Is he in that wagon?" Slim repeated angrily.

Polly caught hold of his arm.

"What's he hidin' for? he demanded.

Slim pulled his gun and covered the opening. "Come out, you coward!" he shouted. Polly caught Slim by the right wrist so he could not fire.

Bud leaped from the wagon, drawing his gun as he did so. "You shan't call me a coward!" he shouted to Slim.

Polly ran behind Bud and, reaching her arms about his waist, held down his hands, depressing the muzzle of his revolver. Slim danced up and down in the excitement with his revolver in his hand. Polly kept calling on both of the men not to shoot.

"Let him alone!" shouted Slim excitedly. "Let him alone, Miss Polly. He's only four flushin', an' I ain't gun shy."

"Now, look here, sonny," he cried to Bud, "if that squirt gun of yours goes off an' hits me an' I find it out—well, I reckon I'll have to spank you."

Bud tried to break away from Polly, begging her to "let go."

The girl laid her hands on his shoulder, gazing pleadingly into his flushed face. "Don't, don't!" she cried. "It's all right. Slim knows all about it. He knows I love you, an' he wouldn't hurt any one that I love. Would you, Slim?"

Polly smiled at the sheriff, completely disarming him.

Shoving his gun back into the holster, Slim grinned and said, "I reckon I wouldn't."

"We've been engaged fer ever so long now, waitin' fer Bud to get rich, an' now—an' now it's come." Her face radiated her happiness. Bud showed his alarm, motioning her to be silent, but Polly rattled on, "Bud's been savin' an' savin' till he's got over a thousand dollars, an'"— Slim could not contain his indignation at the deception practiced on the girl by the boy.

"You derned thief!" he shouted. Then he stopped, plainly showing his annoyance at his lack of self repression.

Bud's hand dropped to his gun. "You"— he began, but Polly stopped him with a gesture, looking from one to the other of the men, dazed and frightened.

"A thief? Bud a thief? What does it mean? Tell me!" she gasped. Turning to Bud, she demanded, "Bud, you heard what he said?"

Dropping his head, fearing to look at either of them, he muttered sullenly, "He lied."

Slim checked his first betrayal of his anger and kept himself well in hand.

"Oh, Slim," pleaded Polly, "say you didn't mean it."

Simply and sadly Slim answered: "I didn't. I reckon as how I'm some jealous, an'—an'—I lied."

His voice dropped, and he turned aside, stepping away from the young couple.

Polly was still in doubt. Slim's actions were so strange. It was not like this big hearted, brave sheriff to accuse a man of stealing without being sure of his charges. Then Slim's accusing himself of lying was entirely at variance with his character. "I'm sorry," she said. "Please forgive me. It was all my fault. I didn't know that you"—

Slim held up his hand to silence her.

"Wouldn't you mind leavin' us together a bit?" he requested. In answer to Polly's frightened glance he continued: "There ain't goin' to be no trouble, only—me an' him's got a little business to talk over. Ain't we, Bud, eh?"

Slim led Polly toward the corral, glancing at Bud over his shoulder with a reassuring smile. "Just you step out yonder a bit an' wait," he said to Polly.

"Now, you won't"—

"Can't you trust me any more?" he asked sincerely.

Grasping him by the hand, she looked him fairly and fearlessly in the eyes, saying: "I do trust you. I trust you both."

As the girl strode out of earshot Slim absentmindedly kept shaking the hand she had held. Awakening suddenly to the fact that his hand was empty, he looked at it curiously and sighed. Turning quickly, he slapped his hat on his head, hitched up his chaps and stepped up to Bud, who stood with a sneer on his lips.

"So you're the man that Polly loves," he said. "She's a good girl, an' she loves a thief."

Bud turned on him fiercely, drawing his gun. "Take care!" he warned.

"You won't shoot. If you meant to shoot you'd 'a' done it long ago, when you pulled your gun!" exclaimed Slim coolly.

"I might do it now." Bud held his gun against Slim's breast.

Slim threw up his hands to show he was not afraid of the boy. "Go ahead. Squeeze your hardware. I reckon I'm big enough to kill," he said.

Then he took Bud's hand and gently slid the revolver back into the holster. The action broke down Bud's bravado. All barriers fell before the simple action. "It's all up with me," he said brokenly.

Slim sympathized with the boy in his trouble.

"Buck he told me. Buck he 'lowed you had your share of that money," he explained.

The boy drew the money from his pocket and handed it to Slim, remarking: "Here it is—all of it. I never touched it. I was going"— Bud was about to lie again, but he realized the futility of more falsehoods. "Take it," he added.

Slim counted the money and slipped it into his pocket.

"Bud," he said to that young man, "me an' you have been pretty good friends, we have. I learned you how to ride, to throw a rope, an' Bud—Bud—what did you take it fer? I know you didn't murder Terrill fer it, but what did you keep the money fer?" He asked the question with anger and annoyance.

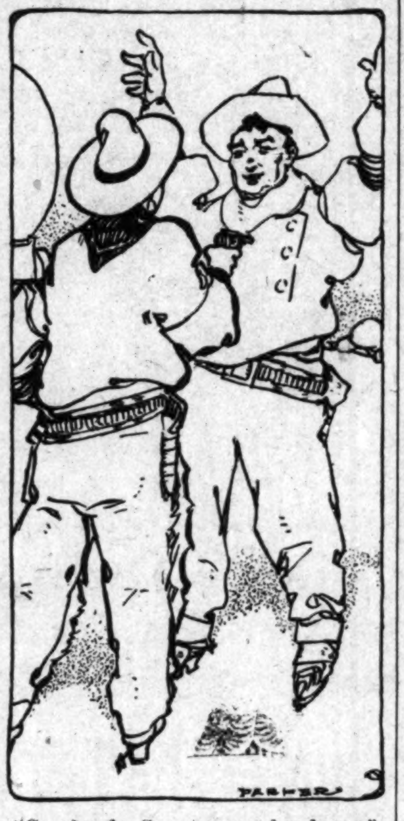
Slim had seated himself by the fire. He spoke to the boy as he would to a comrade.

"Can't you see?" the boy asked. "Polly. I wanted to make a home for her, and now she'll know me for what I am, a thief—a thief."

Bud buried his face in his hands, the tears trickling through his fingers, although he fought strongly against showing his weakness.

Slim rose and stepped to his side, laying his hand on the boy's shoulder. "Mebbe she won't have to know. Buck he's dead, an' only you an' me know."

Bud looked at the speaker in amazement. A lovable smile crept over Slim's face. "I'm goin'," he said, "to slip you a new deck an' give you a fresh deal. That was part my money that was stole. I never come back at the county fer it. Buck he's paid back his half. I'll let 'em all think it was the whole. I'll put in a thousan' I have at home that I was savin' to buy in with the Triangle B in case I don't git elected nex' time. So, Bud, I'm goin' to lend a thousan' of this to you just to give a chance at that little home."



"Go ahead. Squeeze your hardware."

"You're the whitest man I ever knew!" cried Bud.

"I reckon I ain't colored, 'cept a little red mite on top," laughed Slim. He disliked any show of feeling by the boy over the offer he had made.

"But I can't take your money," Bud protested.

"Yes, you can," assured Slim. "You pay it back when you get on your feet agin. I'm goin' to take your word."

Slim's generosity overwhelmed the boy. "Take my word!" he cried.

Slim laid his hands on the boy's shoulders. "Yes," he declared. "You've made your first bad break, but you've had your first lesson. An' you ain't goin' to forget it," he added emphatically.

"And Polly?" he faltered.

"There ain't nobody goin' to tell her." Speaking sternly to Bud, he added, "You make her a good husband."

Bud seized the sheriff's hand, wringing it warmly. "I will, Slim; I will," he promised.

The wait had been too long for Polly. She returned before Slim called her, saying: "I'm tired waitin' on you all. Haven't you finished up that business yet?"

"Yes, ma'am; it's finished," replied Slim.

"Did Bud tell you about it?" inquired Polly.

"He told me. Seems like you two are goin' to get married."

"Uh-huh," laughed Polly happily. "An', oh, say, will you stand up fer Bud?"

"I reckon Bud can stand up fer himself now with you to help him," answered Slim emphatically.

"We'll run over and tell the boys you're back!" shouted Bud.

Slim took the hands of the young people in his own big ones. "I'm right glad you two are goin' to hitch up," he said. "I am dead sure you'll make a even runnin' team."

Polly glanced shyly at Slim. "Bud won't mind if you kiss me," she hinted. Slim grinned sheepishly. In his embarrassment he rubbed one foot on his other leg. "Well, I ain't—never—that is"— he stammered. "Bud, if you all don't mind," he boldly asserted after his bashfulness had waned, "I reckon I will play one little bet on the red."

The sheriff never did anything in a small way. The kiss he gave her full on the lips was a resounding one.

Bud took Polly by the hand and silently led her to the house. Slim sat down on a keg behind the fire. Taking some loose tobacco and a film of rice paper from his pocket, he deftly rolled a cigarette and lighted it with a brand from the blaze. With a sigh he removed his hat. He was the picture of dejection. For several moments he sat in deep thought. Then, with a deep indrawing of his breath and a shrug of the shoulders, he cried: "Shucks! Nobody loves a fat man!"

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When Polly told the boys in the corral that Slim had returned and was waiting for them at the mess wagon they dropped their work and made for him with wild whoops and yells. Slim smiled as he heard them coming.

Show Low made a running jump. throwing his arms about the sheriff's neck. Parenthesis and Sagebrush each grabbed a hand, pumping up and down emphatically. The others slapped him on the back. All talked at once, asking him the news and whether Jack had returned.

"Did you nip it up with the 'Paches," asked Parenthesis.

"Talk, durn ye, talk," shouted Show Low, "or we'll hang out your hide."

Slim shook the hands of his comrades in turn affectionately.

For each he had his own particular form of greeting. "No, boys," he said when the group became more orderly, "I ain't a-goin' to say a word till I see Mrs. Payson first."

Polly had ridden at once to the house to tell the joyful news of Slim's return to Echo, who hurried at once to the boys about the wagon.

Parenthesis spied her riding down the trail. "She's comin' now," he cried.

"Boys," requested Slim, "would you mind herdin' off yonder a bit?"

The cowpunchers strolled over to the cottonwood, leaving Echo to meet Slim alone.

"Where is he?" was Echo's tearful greeting.

"Well, ma'am, there's a man out yonder that's been through fire an' brimstone fer you!"

Echo stared over the prairies. Then Jack was still searching for Dick. Slim had failed to find him. "Out yonder," she moaned, wringing her hands.

"Wait a minute," said Slim. "He says to me, says he, 'Break it to her, Slim; tell her gentle—an' if she wants me call, an' I'll come.' Ma'am, Dick Lane is dead."

Echo shuddered. "Dead," she repeated, "by his"—

"No, no," interrupted Slim; "not that way. Indians. Jack found Dick, an' the Indians found 'em both. When I come up with the soldiers from Fort Grant they was havin' the derndest mixup with the Indians you ever did see. Both men were bad hurted, an' Dick—well, ma'am, I leaned over him jest in time to hear him say, 'Tell her I know she was true an' not to mind.' Then he gave a little ketch of his breath an' dropped back into my arms."

Echo sighed. The tragedy of the desert was very real to her. In the many months that the two men had been away she had lived through it with them in poignant imagination.

"Great hearted Dick!" she said. "I was not worthy of his love. And Jack—where is he?"

"Wait a minute. He wants to know if you can forgive him—if you will take him back."

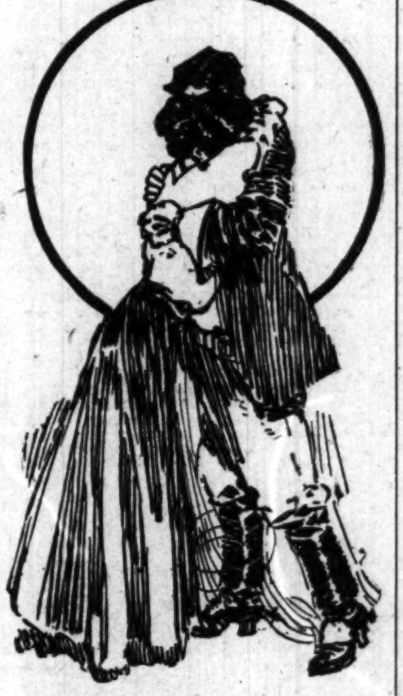
"Slim!" was the only word Echo uttered, but the volume of love it contained told him everything.

"You needn't say nothin' more. I see it shinin' in your eyes," cried Slim.

"Jack! Jack!" he shouted. "You derned idiot, come a-runnin'!"

Payson hurried up from the arroyo within which he had been waiting.

"Echo, I have not altogether failed in my mission. I have not brought Dick Lane back, but I hope I come from him bearing something of his loyalty and simple faith. If you ever can learn to trust me again—if you ever can learn to love me"— he said to Echo humbly.



"Jack!" was her only cry.

"Don't be a derned fool, Jack," blurted Slim. "Can't you see she ain't never loved no one else?"

"Echo, is it so?" asked Jack eagerly.

Slim grinned. Going over to Echo's side, he gave her a slight push, saying, "Go tell him."

"Jack!" was her only cry as her husband infolded her in his arms.

THE END

A REMARKABLE DECISION.

A New York Judge Says Color Must be Considered.

A negro and a white man do not suffer equal humiliation for false arrest in the eyes of the law, according to the Appellate division of the Supreme Court, which sustained an order of Justice Dugro, of the Supreme Court, reducing the amount of damages awarded George Griffin, a Pullman porter, from $2,500 to $300.

The negro was arrested in Montreal, charged with stealing a pocketbood, but the charge was not sustained and he was released. He brought suit for false arrest against Daniel H. Brady, a New York manufacturer, who has caused his arrest.

Griffin asked for $10,000 damages.

When the suit was tried before Justice Dugro, last November, the justice decided that the verdict of $2,500 returned by the jury was excessive and should be set aside unless the plaintiff stipulated that the verdict be reduced to $300. Counsel for Griffin would not consent to the reduction.

The records in the case which went before the Appellate division disclose interesting remarks to the jury by Justice Durgo, among which were the following:

"I regret, gentlemen, that your verdict is so large, for I must set it aside. No such verdict should stand. This man was earning less than a dollar a day, according to his own statement; his loss of wages was, therefore, only $2 or $3, and then the humiliation and anxiety of mind.

Men Must be Considered.

"He was a colored man, and while you have no right to weigh the difference you must consider men. You can not consider what I would take to have this happen to me. I would not take a million dollars to have this happen to me, but that is no reason why you should award a million.

"No such verdict as $2,500 ever would stand for a moment in any court. He was a porter and while he is just as good as the President of the United States, and if he is imprisoned wrongfully he should be paid for it, it would be bad argument to say he is just as good in many senses. He would not be hurt just as much if put into prison as every other man would be. If he is a colored man the fact that he is a colored man is to be considered. You can not say he is just the same as a white man when you come to say how much shame he will suffer. He might suffer more.

Communities Also a Factor.

"In one sense a colored man is just as good as a white men, for the law says he is; but he has not the same amount of injury under all circumstances that the white man would have. Maybe in a colored commnuity down South, where white men were held in great disfavor, he might be more injured; but after all this is not that sort of community. In this sort of community, I dare say, the amount of evil that would flow to a colored man from a charge like this would not be as great as it probably would to a white man. I am satisfied that this plaintiff did not suffer $2,500 damage through that arrest."

THE CALL.

Bishop Coppin was severely plain when he advised that the church, the church by Negroes conform to the present day requirements such as are known in churches by the white people. The situation, however, demanded unmistakable language, since the indicatons are unmistakably plain that the young Negro is drifting worldward. There are more reasons for this drifting away than an inefficient pulpit, but the inefficient pulpit is one of the greatest reasons if not the very greatest. One of the other reasons is that which the general church is battling with, whatever it may be. To this add pulpit insufficience and race oppression; the Negro must needs be a religious stoic if he is not affected to some degree. Oppression in the bygone days drove the Colored people to the cloister—the sanctuary, whether cabin or field. In these days, strange enough, oppression is driving from the church, decimating its ranks, as it were. They find vent in the many opportunities for amusement or diversion that acts as a foil against crushing defeat and humiliation just as the white people do. Yet judging by the compelling force that drive white men to the woods on Sunday, and to the clubs and saloons of evenings through the week, reckoning that the Colored people are similarly influenced, it is not so strange after all.

But as before stated, the race has other conditions to combat. The pulpit has been endured in the past; it is yet venerated, that of the distant past for the good it has done, and what is stands for, but today is the new order of things. It is expected that the pulpit be ahead of the pew; not alone in the matters of theology, but in those things which pertain to the welfare of the people in general. The schools are doing their duty; really they are ahead of the demand, in that they are turning out thinkers. We do not lose sight of the fact that the lack of demand is owing to lack of race initiative, but speak of conditions as they are found to be. These thinkers and scholars are the subjects of the present and future churches. It goes without much comment that they are expecting their equals in intellect to preach to them, to teach them. Skepticism has a penchant for the scholars, the thinkers, and in order to safe guard against the shoal strong men must be at the fore or in the watch tower. This strength of intellect, when strength is not at the sacrifice of anything. Some seem to feel the humbleness, contriteness are incompatible with much learning, when much learning simply opens up the vista, the great unknown, the great unexplored, proving the infinite fruiteness of man when contrasted with the Infinite One who made and gave it all.

The diploma is the best sign of the intellectual equipment, ye the individual who can deliver, whether diploma or diplomalers is whom is fited to stand between the living and the dead, of the true Apostolicship of Jesus Christ as conceived in the scriptures who was found at an early age confounding the wise.

XENIA, OHIO.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Miss Lucretia Jones was in the city Sunday, visiting relatives....Chas. Scott opened his ice cream parlor Sunday, May 23.... The Crescents were to play Wilberforce, Friday, May 21, but on account of rain the game was delayed until Tuesday, May 25....The Stars will play the Yellow Springs Clippers Saturday, May 29....The Freeman may be secured at the Acme news stand, East Main street....The East Main Street High School Orchestra is getting along fine with Prof. Chas. E. Stewart as director. They are now preparing commencement work....The funeral of Mr. McCann was held at Zion Baptist Church on last Sunday....The senior class of the High School went to Wilberforce, Friday evening, May 21, where the senior class of the university gave an excellent play.

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SATURDAY, JUNE 5, 1909.

The anti-saloon movement is having some reverses.

Memorable Gettysburg field was honored by the presence of the President.

Mrs. Ida Wells Barnett places the total of Negroes lynched within twenty-five years at 3,284.

The Mikado of Japan and ex-Vice-President Fairbanks have been rubbing noses—greeting.

May didn't do its duty as to flowers. The roses and peonies were due along about the 30th in generous quantities.

Excellent growing weather—a little cool. It is hard on the bugs; they get the pneumonia these chilly, damp nights.

Very strange, Mr. Trotter, that you permit such demonstrations in your community. Perhaps you were down at Columbus.

The Governor's appointment of Michael H. Cain, Democrat, as engineer of the State House stood the test of the court.

Among those graduating at the Indiana school for the blind is Martha Anne Willit. She is accomplished in music as a violinist.

Mrs. Maggie L. Walker, a colored woman, presented Miss Nannie Burroughs, also a colored woman, a check for $500. Well, that's going some.

What's so rare as a day in June? The June poets are in order. Something doing for everybody. Mr. Lowell said, even the clod felt the stir of life.

John Temple Graves, in an address at Carnegie Hall, New York, May 30, praised the colored people, commended their efforts at solving the race problem.

So the American Negro League concluded to take President Taft to task for his policies. What party is recommended that promises better conditions?

The United States Supreme Court has postponed the sentencing of Sheriff Shipp and others of Chattanooga, Tenn. It was to have been given last Monday.

Jesse Fletcher, who killed himself this week, was known as a good friend to the colored people. He was a member of the well-known and wealthy family of Fletchers, of this city.

The Legislature of Florida had the moral courage to stand up for its Negroes in their political rights; it defeated one of those in the recent attempt to disfranchise the Negro voters.

Little Rock, Ark., is in a fair way to get a Carnegie library costing $15,000 for its colored citizens. The City Council is expected to appropriate $1,500 per annum for maintaining it. From indications this will be done.

Mrs. Maggie L. Walker, president of St. Luke's Bank, at Richmond, Va., recently presented Miss Nannie Burroughs a check for $500 to aid in pushing along her work in founding a training school for girls at Washington, D. C.

The Negro American League, at Columbus, O., among other things insisted that President Taft square his policies with the Chicago platform so far as the fourteenth and fifteenth amendments are concerned. What—the amendments themselves, or possible conditions arising and subjected to them?

Nelson Crews, of Missouri, also wants to be Recorder of Deeds at Washington. The gentlemen from the various States are not making much noise about their candidacies. They are simply taking their chances, knowing well enough that all cannot draw prizes. They merely want to be in evidence.

The graduates will be more numerous in the coming year than heretofore. What will he do, with his advanced notions of life? Are places opening up for him that meet his expectation? Not enough of them, we dare say. It is becoming plainer every day that the vocation problem must be studied in order to care for the graduate problem.

The Freeman appreciates invitations to attend commencement exercises at the Western University, Quindaro, Kan.; Wilberforce University, Wilberforce, O.; Livingston College, Salisbury, N. C.; Christiansburg Industrial Institute, Cambria, Va.; Agricultural and Mechanical College, Normal, Ala., and the Curry Normal and Industrial Institute, at Urbana, O.

This bit of non-cheering information from Boston:

"As the result of the clash between Mayor Hibbard and Adjt. Gen. Brigham, Company L, of the Sixth Regiment, the only colored organization in the Massachusetts militia, finds itself excluded from every armory in Boston. The present quarters in Charlestown have been selected by Mayor Hibbard as a new bathhouse and the company has been refused permission by the Adjutant General to occupy a room in any other armory."

Again the country has done whatever was in its power to do honor and reverence to those that fell in its strife for existence. It is meet that this be done, these annual pilgrimages to the tombs, for not only is it mark of high esteem to those that rest there, but the living have an example of the country's gratefulness, for the stern alarm may sound tomorrow or the next day, when we will not be reproached for cold neglect or tardy justice. We shall want our eagles—standards seized by those of feet swift as of him bringing glad tidings or that publisheth peace. So in order to insure this we journey to war's shrine with hearts accord, carrying with us sacrifice, the dearest and best things that also live and die—flowers—feeling to say, "Go thou and sleep with them."

PRESIDENT TAFT AT HOWARD UNIVERSITY.

Speaking to the colored graduates of Howard University, at Washington, D. C., last week, President Taft said that never at any time has the future of the Negro, as a race, appeared more hopeful than at the present day. The President impressed upon his hearers the fact that it is for the Negroes themselves to work out their own future and to make themselves valuable citizens. Conditions for the Negro in the South, according to the President, are growing better and better.

President Taft personally handed parchment rolls to more than 100 candidates for degrees. When the commencement exercises were ended he was escorted to the foundation of the new Carnegie library of the university where he officiated at the laying of the corner stone.

The President evidently enjoyed the privilege of being a real Mason, for he not only applied the customary first dash of mortar, but worked industriously with the silver trowel until he had covered the entire resting place for the well-proportioned stone. Secretary of the Interior Balinger, Minister Leger, of Haiti, and President Thirkield, of the university, also were called upon to wiel dthe trowel.

FLINT, MICH.

Mrs. B. Parry has returned to her home in Albany, N. Y....W. H. Vincent will move his grocery store from South Saginaw street to 308 Twelfth street....Mrs. M. Goggins went from here to Ann Arbor on her mission for the Allen Home for Colored Girls in Grand Rapids....Mrs. A. West, of Durant, and Mrs. L. Hackett, of Lansing, spent Sunday with their sister, Mrs. R. Ganins....Mrs. K. Johnson and son Herbie, of Lansing, and Mr. S. Johnson spent Decoration Day with their brother, James Johnson.

Northwestern Park fans will have an opportunity to see the Tomsants and Black Sox play Sunday. A double-header has been scheduled.

A. B. C.'s TAX WHITE SOX FOR THREE GAMES

Butler's Players Belittle Opponents in Series—Higbee Pitches Fine Ball in Monday's Game.

HARRY W. JACKSON.

The A. B. C.'s found the White Sox to be the easiest bunch of the season, and played them off their feet. Winning three games—and would have won four had not the rain interfered—makes Manager Butler feel fearless of any team in this part of the country. The locals are by no means playing a poor article of ball, and have not as yet run upon a slump. Getting into the game is more in evidence now than it was at the beginning of the season. Though they practically have not started the game as it should be played, the fans have the utmost confidence in the localites holding their own against both big and small.

The White Sox are counted among the best of the white semi-professionals of Indiana—so much the better for the reputation of the "A Bee Sees" in defeating this strong aggregation of diamond warriors. The first two games were played Sunday afternoon. The A. B. C.'s won both games, shutting out the Sox in both. The scores were 7 to 0 and 3 to 0.

Griffin pitched the first game in good form and with good control of the horse hide. He allowed two men to walk, while Richenbach, who pitched for the Sox, gave bases on balls to five batters. Along with pitching the ball where he wanted it, Griff did some fine fielding, crossed the pan for one run, and slammed the sphere for two hits. Knight, the kidnapped St. Louis Black Sox, caught behind the bat. Board cut them down at first in first-class style, while Merida did some batting.

The pitcher's box in the second game was graced by Frank Talbott, of the A. B. C.'s. Only four and a half innings were played, with the Northwesterners making the only score, that in the first frame—a bunch of three runs. Half of the team stole bases on the Sox. Frank was touched for one hit.

First game:
A. B. C.'s......2 0 1 0 0 0 0 4 0 *—7
White Sox........0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0—0

Batteries—A. B. C.'s, Griffin and Knight; White Sox, Richenbach and Dugan. Bases on balls—Off Griffin, 2; off Richenbach, 5. Struck out—By Griffin, 6; by Richenbach, 5. Hit by pitched ball—Schaub, Dauss. Two-base hits—Merida, Allen. Double plays—Knight to Board to Allen; Allen to Board; Griffin to Merida to Board. Stolen bases—Lolla, Long (2). Time—1:45. Umpire—Adams. Attendance—600.

Second game:
A. B. C.'s..............3 0 0 0 *—3
White Sox..............0 0 0 0 0—0

Batteries—A. B. C.'s, Talbott and Knight; White Sox, Hollingsworth, Richenbach and Dugan.

DECORATION DAY GAMES.

A second double-header was scheduled for Monday. On account of the rain, which caused the first game to be called for a few minutes, the second game was stopped after the first half of the fourth inning, with the score 3 to 1 in favor of the A. B. C.'s.

And Higbee pitched the opening game, which means the A. B. C.'s couldn't lose. Thompson caught, and though at times was rattled, he made more put-outs than any of his teammates. Morris, another kidnapped Black Sox, had an off day. "St. Louis," as the fans called him, had several chances, but he couldn't hold the ball. Shortstop has heretofore been held down without any kick, and the newcomer will have to work to make good.

The feature of the game was Higbee's fanning three consecutive batters in the first inning. "Babe" Herron's two-base drive brought in Merida and Board for two runs. After the A. B. C.'s had tied the score in the third inning Higbee repeated Herron's act and sent in the long center-fielder and Thompson. Board couldn't stand for that, and pushed Merida and Davis across the dish on a three-base hit in the fifth inning. The Sox replaced Pitchen McAllen in the sixth with Hollingsworth. Higbee struck out nine men.

First game:
A. B. C.'s....0 2 1 2 3 2 0 0 *—10
White Sox....0 1 2 0 0 0 0 1 0— 4

Batteries—A. B. C.'s, Higbee and Thompson; White Sox, McAllen, Hollingsworth and Dugan. Innings pitchedBy Higbee, 9; by McAllen, 6; by Hollingsworth, 3. Hits—Off Higbee, 6; off McAllen, 9; off Hollingsworth, 1. Bases on balls—Off Higbee, 1; off McAllen, 1; off Hollingsworth, 2. Struck out—By Higbee, 9; by McAllen, 2; by Hollingsworth, 4. Hit by pitched ball—Merida, Frank, Barnes. Two-base hits—Board, Davis, Dauss. Stolen bases—Allen, Merida, Board (2), Barnes (2). Passed ball—Thompson. Umpire—Adams. Time—1:50. Attendance—200.

Second game:
A. B. C.'s.......................0 0 3 *—3
White Sox.......................0 1 0 0—1

Batteries—A. B. C.'s, Davis and Merida; White Sox, Hollingsworth and Dugan.

George Abrams, better known as the "game keeper," will be in charge of the A. B. C.'s on their trip to Louisville, Ky., and West Baden, Ind. Manager Butler will no doubt join the team at West Baden.

ATKINS WIN GAME.

The Atkins defeated Batesville Sunday. The pitchers played a good game, but Saxon, the local flinger, proved the better.

R. H. E.
Atkins ...2 1 0 0 0 1 0 0 *—4 9 7
Batesville 0 1 0 0 0 0 1 0 0 0—2 8 2

Batteries—Atkins, Saxon and Schissel; Batesville, Brooks and Nichol.

A. B. C.'s CONFIDENT OF VICTORY

Victors of White Sox Expect to Defeat Louisville Cubs.

The local A. B. C.'s will play the Louisville Cubs Sunday afternoon on the latter's grounds. The game will be called at 3:15 at Reccius Park. The Cubs expect to defeat the local team, but chances to do so are slim. Sunday and Monday the A. B. C.'s beat the White Sox for three games, and were about to take a fourth when the rain stopped the game. As the White Sox played all around the Cubs in April, Manager Butler's team is confident that they will bring the eggs home.

FARMERS LOSE TO GREENVILLE.

GREENVILLE, Tex. — Farmerville crossed bats with Greenville last Saturday in a double-header, and lost both games.

GIANTS BEAT GIANTS.

Leland Giants Played Louisville Giants Off Their Feet.

LOUISVILLE, Ky.—The Leland Giants, of the "Windy City" league, played here Thursday of last week, and defeated the Louisville Giants by a score of 7 to 2. "Rube" Foster pitched for the visiting Giants.

TIGERS TRY THEMSELVES AGAINST MISSOURI CLUB

Hard Hitting and Fast Fielding Result in Score of 13 to 0 in Favor of Green's Aggregation.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

ST. LOUIS, Mo.—The Tigers defeated the Missouri Club, Sunday, at Handlan's Park, 13 to 0. The Missouri Club could not ge to Stevenson, getting only three scattering hits off him, while the hard-hitting Tigers pounded Porter all over the lot for seven runs in two innings. He was relieved by Kimble in the third, but the vicious Tigers had no mercy on him, hitting him at will with a total of six runs against him. Score by innings:

R. H. E.
Tigers ..5 2 0 0 5 0 1 0 *—13 15 2
Mo. Club.0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0—0 3 6

Batteries—Missouri Club, Porter, Kimble and Harris; Tigers, Stevenson and Carey. Two-base hits—Lasue, Carey, Mosley, White, Eldridge, of the Tigers. Home run—Fluris. Umpire—Tooley.

LOUISVILLE CUBS PLAY "TAKE AND GIVE"

Kentuckians Divide Honors with Cincys, of Cleveland, Ohio—Double Score in First Game.

By JESSE PALMER.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

LOUISVILLE, Ky. — The Louisville Cubs took a vigorous stab at the strong Cincys, of Cleveland, Ohio, Sunday. The Cincys is the best aggregation of ball tossers seen at Reccius Park this season. Watson and Wallace carried off the fielding honors of the Cubs, and Center Fielder Ruckstul played big league ball in center for the Cincys. Following is the score:

Cincys ....3 0 1 0 1 0 0 0 0—5
Cubs ....4 0 0 1 3 0 0 2 0—10

Batteries—Cincys, Feeney and Buck; Cubs, Martin and Mitchel. Hits—Cincys, 6; Cubs, 11. Two-base hits—Booker, Collins and Feeney. Double play—Wallace. Ctruck out—By Feeney, 3; by Martin, 4. Bases on balls—Off Feeney, 3. Errors—Cubs, 5; Cincys, 4. Hit by pitched ball—Mitchel, Emory. Time of game—one hour, 50 minutes. Umpire—Nutter.

MONDAY'S GAME.

The Cincys tried to break the winning streak of the Cubs, and came close to doing so. The fielding and batting was sharp on both sides. The score was 5 to 4 in favor of the Cincys, and people began to leave, saying the game was over. Then came Captain Booker, the last batter, with two down. Pitcher Moor gave the captain one to his liking. It was the longest hit seen this season tying the score.

Cincys ....1 2 2 0 0 0 0 0 0—5
Cubs ....0 0 0 0 1 2 0 0 1—4

Batteries—Cincys, Moor and Buck; Louisville Cubs, West and Mitchel. Hits—Cincys, 9; Cubs, 6. Two-base hit—Emory. Home run—Booker. Double play—Booker, Wallace and Martin. Struck out—By Moor, 5; by West, 4. Bases on balls—Off Moor, 1; off West, 3. Hit by pitched ball—Mitchel, Emory. Errors—Cincys, 3; Cubs, 5. Umpire—Nutter.

NOTES OF THE GAMES.

Wallace continues to furnish gilt-edged ball around second base.

Tommy Adams and Cap Emory left to play with the West Badens. Two good players. Hope you both success.

That was the first chance that Emory has had this season. Nice Jim.

Little Mitchel is still holding his own.

If Martin would stop monkeying he could play better ball.

West pitched a good game, but his support was very ragged at times.

If you can't win, don't let the other fellows win.

Brother Tribble will be with us again next Sunday.

Briscoe, Emory and Cyenne took care of everything that came their way.

The A. B. C.'s, of Indianapolis, will play here to-morrow (Sunday). The game will be called at 3:15 p. m. Nutter will umpire.

Booker made the home run in Monday's game by sending the ball over right field fence.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., May 27.—For the first time in two years the Leland Giants, of Chicago, visited here yesterday and played one game of baseball against the Louisville Giants at Twenty-eighth street and Broadway. The Chicagos' heavy hitting and the famous "Rube" Foster's pitching played a prominent part in the visitors winning the game by a score of 7 to 2. The locals started off by making two runs in the first inning, while the Leland Giants were unable to score until the fourth inning. Hale of the Giants, pitched a splendid game throughout the nine innings, and during the fourth the locals, by wild throwing allowed the visitors four scores. "Rube" Foster pitched every ball to be seen thrown by a pitcher, and the Louisville Giants were at his mercy. The Leland Giants made two double plays, and showed that they were fully up to their reputation in playing fast and snappy ball. While it was not expected that the local Giants could win over the vicitors, they put up a very creditable game. It was the closest that "Rube" and his men have had since their Southern series. Some star playing was done by Hains, Wright, Tolbert and Moore, of the Leland Giants, and Hale, Pugh, Walton and Williams, of the Giants. "The game furnished an excellent opportunity for Lancaster to see the weakness of his men, and the coming of the Chicago Giants," said "Rube" Foster, "should enable the local team to be a winner hereafter." After the fifth inning "Rube" and his teammates demonstrated their ability to do quick and fast team work, and in twenty-five minutes they played four innings. They left for West Baden last night, and from there they go to Chicago. The local Giants will play the Collegians of Nashville Sunday and Monday. The score:

R. H. E.
Lelands ..0 0 0 4 3 0 0 0 0—7 10 3
Louisville 2 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0—2 5 6

WEST BADEN, Ind., May 28.—The Chicago Leland Giants found plenty to do to-day in defeating the West Baden Pprudles, 1 to 0. The contest was a pitchers' battle, and honors were even until the twelfth inning, when the Giants scored on a safe hit to deep center. Score:

Lelands .....0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 1—1
West Baden..0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0—0

Batteries—Ball and Booker; Daugherty and Pierce.

WEST BADEN, Ind., May 29.—The Leland Giants easily defeated the West Baden Sprudels, 13 to 1, knocking out three home runs. The Sprudels' only chance to score was on Lyons' home run. Score:

Giants ......2 1 0 3 2 3 1 0 1—13
Sprudels ...0 0 0 0 1 0 0 0 0— 1

Batteries—Gatewood and Strothers; Davis, Lyons and Gordon.

COLLEGIANS LOSE THREE GAMES TO GIANTS

Kentuckians Win First Game by Hitting Hard in Ninth Frame—Make Big Score in Monday's Game.

By CAREY B. LEWIS.

LOUISVILLE, Ky.—The famous Collegians, colored, of Nashville, were defeated Sunday by the Louisville Giants by a score of 9 to 8 at the Giants' park, Twenty-eighth street and Broadway. The Collegians had the game won up to the ninth inning, when Pierce, Brown and Pugh came to the bat and were the cause of four scores being registered in favor of the local Giants.

The ending of the game was a complete surprise to the 3,000 fans, many of them being "rooters" from Nashville. The Collegians had played much better ball than the local team. Neither team was able to score in the first three innings. The Collegians hit Pitcher Davidson so often that Hale was put in the box in the fifth inning. While Pugh, captain of the local team, threw several wild balls, he got a two-base hit twice and one three-bagger. A sensational catch was made by the visitors' center fielder, and it was one of the best made on the local diamond this season. Every time Catcher Smith, of the Collegians, came to bat he was good for a hit, and he also played without an error.

The Giants made a number of costly errors, but in the ninth inning, when all hope was lost, Brown started with a clean hit, and enough followed to make the score 9 to 8 in favor of the Giants. The score:

R. H. E.
Collegians 0 0 0 3 0 2 2 1 0—8 9 5
Giants ...0 0 0 1 0 4 0 0 4—9 11 8

On Monday the Giants played the Collegians a double-header. The Giants simply toyed with the visitors, the first game being won at a score of 15 to 3. Bates, a utility man of the Giants, pitched the first game, and it would have been a shut-out had he been properly supported. Pugh, of the Giants, made a long hit, and this was followed by many others. The Giants had Johnson, the pitcher for the Collegians, at their mercy, and sent the ball to all parts of the field. The visitors changed positions during the game, but this did not help them. The second game was wone by the Collegians by a score of 12 to 4. Score of the first game:

Collegians ....1 0 2 0 0 0 0 0 0—3
Giants ......2 1 5 1 1 0 5 0 0—15

BASEBALL NOTES.

William Lee, an old baseball player, is the umpire for the Giants. Captain "Rube" Foster, of the Lelands, and Captain Smith, of the Collegians, stated to your correspondent that his decisions were the best they had had since being on the road.

The Louisville Giants have succeeded in giving their patrons the best in the baseball market. Two days this week they play the Cuban Stars, genuine professional ball players from Havana, Cuba.

Hale's record of striking out ten men has not been beaten this season on a local field. Hale is young, and with the proper support will most likely develop into a successful pitcher.

It is reported that Coleman will take the captaincy of the Giants. Coleman is a good student of the game, and has a great deal of influence over the players.

There are but few ball games in the country where the ladies are treated more courteously than at the Giants' park. They have special reserved seats right in front of the battery, protected from being hit by a heavy wire. Their attendance this year is greater than ever, and the ball team appreciates it.

Dallas Carter and the rest of the team is getting down to real fine ball playing. They have come to the conclusion that grand playing don't win the game.

The fans of Louisville are glad to know that Manager Ed Lancaster has "cut out" so much argument and unnecessary squabbling on the field during a game. The patrons come to see ball playing, and not a disordered field.

When the Giants tane their trip South President Tom Young expects to accompany the boys. Mr. Schackerford, the treasurer, also expects to take a few days off to see his men return victorious.

Take a Walnut-street car and get off at the first stop for the Giants' park.

MISS BURROUGHS RETURNS

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prove helpful and encouraging. He said that Y. M. C. A. work was a success all over the country, and that the work of C. H. Bullock stands well with that of other cities. C. H. Bullock, secretary of the association, presided at the meeting, and a number of musical selections were given by the association's quartet.

Dr. Mason spoke Sunday morning at the Coke Street Chapel, and at the Jackson Street Methodist Church at night. Last Monday morning he addressed the Ministers' Alliance, and at night he delivered an address to the graduates of the Scribner High School, New Albany, Ind., of which Prof. Roberts is principal. His subject was "Not Honor, but Service."

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Rev. L. H. Brown went the limit Monday night in entertaining the Ministers' Alliance at the West Chestnut Street Methodist Church, of which he is pastor. The members of his congregation, with the assistance and encouragement of Dr. Brown, gave the first banquet of its kind ever given in Louisville. The affair was not only enjoyable, but was productive of much Christian fellowship and brotherly feeling between the various denominations of the city.

Dr. Brown was recently elected president of the Alliance, and he took this means to show his appreciation of the honor. Under the administration of Dr. Brown the congregation of the Chestnut Church purchased the building of the Chestnut Street M. E. Church South, and during Dr. Brown's six years' stay great success has been manifested along Christian and moral lines.

Previous to the banquet speeches were delivered in the main auditorium of the church. Ministers from all parts of the city were present, and eulogized Dr. Brown and the work of the congregation. Rev. R. L. Dickerson acted as master of ceremonies. Later the guests of the evening repaired to the basement, where the ladies of the church had prepared an eight-course supper.

The banquet room was handsomely decorated, and the table was tastily trimmed with flowers and potted plants. Toasts were delivered by speakers who were on the program, and Dr. L. H. Brown responded eloquently and feelingly. The affair was a brilliant success, and it is reported that other ministers of the city will follow in the footsteps of Dr. Brown.

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In all religious and social life of the race the women play a prominent part in its success. There are various clubs in the city organized for the purpose of doing good either for the church or some charitable organization. They are a benefit to the race and individuals as well. A recent organization is that of the Carnation Club of the Chestnut Methodist Church. While the aim and scope of the club is a secret, it is positively known that they hope at a certain time of the year to come forward to do something that will be pleasing and beneficial.

The club met last Thursday at the home of Mrs. Robert W. Vaughn, 531 Twelfth street. Questions on how to be of benefit to the church were discussed. Mrs. Fannie Lee, a well-known musician, entertained the club upon the violin, accompanied by Mrs. Vaughn. "The Real Worth of Woman" was the subject of an address by Cary B. Lewis. After the speaking the club members were invited to the dining room, where a delightful course dinner was served by the hostess.

The club is only a few weeks old, and it was reported that there was $15 in the treasury. One of the most zealous workers of the club is Mrs. Mattie C. Allman, who is the secretary. The other officers are: Mrs. Nannie Johnson, president; Mrs. Emma Pryor, treasurer; Mrs. Johnnie Mason, assistant secretary.

Those present at the meeting were: Mesdames Nancy Philipps, Carrie Tucker, Ella Vaughn, Fannie Williams, Nannie Johnson, Annie Martin, J. E. Mason, Cora Carter, Eddie Rhea, Fannie Lee and C. B. Lewis. The club meets this week at the home of Mrs. Nannie Johnson, on West Walnut street.

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Dr. L. G. Jordan, secretary of the National Baptist Foreign Mission Board, is in the East. He usually tours the country during the summer months, giving inspiration and encouragement to those who are on the missionary field. This week he is in Jersey City, but is expected home soon. Miss Lucy Flint is the chief bookkeeper, and is doing much of the work during his absence.

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A few more weeks and the hearts of the graduates of the Central High School will be gladdened by fond parents and friends to see the president of the Louisville School Board hand the graduates their diplomas. This will be a happy occasion. We recall ten years ago when fifty-one of us received a similar parchment. Admiring friends came to hear us sing and orate. It was an occasion long to be remembered. Small tokens were placed upon the pedestal of remembrance with the hand of esteem. This we all appreciated. But far more did most of them appreciate the kindness of their loving fathers and mothers to send them to school, that they might be prepared for the battle and conflict which to-day is not so rosy.

Miss Spratt Brown, one of the most thorough and practical teachers of the public schools, in her alumni address, told us that we were just at the commencement for a preparation of honest and industrious lives.

"He is educated who knows how to do the right thing in the right way at the right time, and does it." We have no formulæ for those who are to graduate; yet we say to our young friends that if the above expression is practiced they will be a joy to the home and a blessing to the race and mankind.

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One of the young men who has started a business enterprise and is a financial success is Charles B. Claxton, proprietor of the Claxton Pool and Billiard Parlors, 906 and 908 West Walnut street. Your correspondent had occasion to visit his place to-day, and was agreeably pleased to find him so well located on the most popular business street in the West End.

He has one of the most up-to-date pool and billiard parlors in the South. Everything is entirely new, including the building. His pool and billiard tables are late in style, plenty of room for each player, and there are six tables in the room, with all modern conveniences to aid in the pleasure of the games.

Such a place has filled a long-felt need among the young men of the city, for it has been preached that many of the industrious and intelligent young men loaf around dives and places of vice. This, however, is a mistake, but Mr. Claxton's place will meet the demand for young men to assemble and play a friendly game of pool or billiards. Pool and billiards are being put in Y. M. C. A.'s all over the country, but the spirit has not reached this city. Young men like these innocent games, and they are going to have them. Mr. Claxton's is the place to go. He merely has on sale cigars, tobacco and soft drinks. Nothing intoxicating is sold, and for this reason his place is quiet and orderly. Persons passing can not hear one word that is being uttered in his place, although his door opens to the street.

So extensive has become his patronage during the past three weeks that he will be forced to put in two more new tables. Pool and billiards have become very popular in this city, and Mr. Claxton has done a wise thing in meeting the demand.

Mr. Claxton is formerly of Paris, Ky., but has been here for quite a while, having attended the Central High School. He caught the business spirit, and opened up a business that he thought would be a success. From the large amount of patronage that is given him daily and Sunday, indications are that it will rank as one of the best paying establishments of its kind in the city. The young men are appreciating the courtesy and business methods with which he is carrying on the new enterprise, and are giving him liberal support.

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A concert was given last Friday night at Macauley's Theater by two hundred pupils of the Central High School, under the direction of Prof. D. L. Lawson, principal of the school.

He was assisted at the piano by Miss Winifred Lang during the rendition of the choruses "Inflammatus," "How Lovely Are the Messengers," "Away to the Woods," and other big musical numbers. The feature of the evening's program was the solo work of Mrs. Cora Deshea Barnett, who showed splendid range of voice and took the solo part of "Inflammatus" with perfect ease.

The instrumental solo of Prof. Roy Tibbs, scherzo, B-flat minor, Chopin, was given in a faultless and interesting manner, and was the delight of the evening. He responded to an encore.

The most pleasing number of the evening was a jubilee selection, "Walk Together Children, There Is a Great Camp Meeting in the Promised Land." The solo part was taken by D. W. Barnet, a graduate of Fisk University. "Jean," a baritone solo, was sung by Dr. Wilson Ballard. The entertainment was quite a musical success.

Most of the people came to hear of the report of the $5,000, but this was not given out. Until the business methods of the institution are run like those of the Y. M. C. A., it can not beexpected that the public will turn out in large numbers, no matter who sings.

It must be admitted that the chorus was well drilled, and that our good and honorable friend, Prof. D. L. Lawson, deserves the palm. To us it looked as though it meant the passing of Prof. G. M. McClellan.

The girls looked pretty on the stage, and their costumes were in keeping with the occasion. Best of all, they sang as though they knew what they were doing, and the audience, though small, appreciated the musicale. Next year let Prof. Lawson remember the Old Folks' Home or the Red Cross Sanitarium.

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Miss Tibbs, of Chicago, Ill., will be in the city on Thursday of this week to attend the "Prodigal Son," an oratorio to be given at Macauley's Theater, under the direction of Prof. Roy Tibbs. Miss Tibbs will stop with Miss G. A. Lattimore during her stay, but will be shown the city by her brother, Roy Tibbs, the popular musician.

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One of the members of the "Black Cabinet" that is expected to hold the brother in line during the next election is William Leonard. He is the head janitor at the City Hall, and is one of those Negroes who is not afraid to speak out for the Negro's rights, regardless of the bosses' dictation or whims. He is first a Negro, then a Republican. He is opposed to the Negro being satisfied with just a few jobs of no consequence, and at the same time give the Republicans 10,000 votes every election. These are not only his sentiments, but of every true Negro in the city.

Mr. Leonard is a Mason, and one of the leaders in the United Brothers of Friendship, an organization that is the strongest in the city of Louisville among Negroes.

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The letter of R. Claxton will be published in the columns of THE FREEMAN next week. It was quite a shock to the "Black Cabinet." It has elicited approval from Louisville's leading colored citizens. Mr. Claxton's outspoken opinion against what he terms duplicity and chicanery upon the part of the City Hall Republicans has forced the g. o. p. leaders to pay attention.

Mr. Claxton cites instances of the city administration deliberately throwing the colored brother down and giving him meager representation at the "pie counter." Mr. Claxton was an applicant for license inspector, and the machine threw him down. Eleven white men were appointed, and not a Negro, and yet some of the would-be leaders, including the "Black Cabinet," claim that it is too early to kick. Mr. Claxton is an honorable citizen of this community, and the letter has expressed the sentiments of most of the thoughtful and intelligent Negroes of the city, especially those who are students of local politics.

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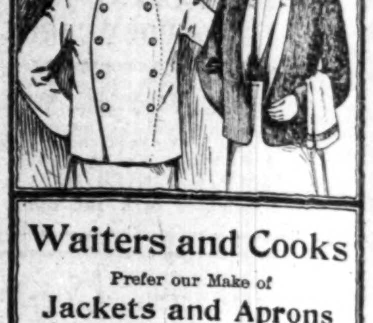

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Teachers' Institute will be held Saturday for the last time this year at the Central High School, Dr. W. H. Perry presiding.

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Right after our visit to Henry Watterson, in company with Prof. Charles Moore, organizer of the Negro Business League, he came out with a fine editorial on the Negro, eulogizing Booker T. Washington. To-day he takes a strong whack at Schipp, of Chattanooga, and the frenzied people of that city. God bless "Marse" Henry; he is with us.

AT THE NATIONAL CAPITAL

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capital within reach to back the project, and experienced business men are confident that it will prove a paying investment, as the promoters are in a position to command bookings of the highest drawing power. Colored shows that have appeared in Washington have always been greeted by crowded houses, and, with strong attractions, it is not doubted that the interest could be maintained at a profitable stage throughout the seasons. It is understood that the management will be given over entirely to Negro hands.

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The Order of St. Luke, the headquarters of which are at Richmond, Va., is said to be arranging for the establishment of a branch bank in this city.

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"The Revellers," a comedy-drama, which had its premier in this city last week, carried quite a number of colored performers, who gave a good account of themselves.

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The suggestion that a scholarship be established at Wilberforce University as a testimonial to the services of Senator Foraker in behalf of the Negro race is being accepted here with no small degree of enthusiasm. "The Wilberforcians," an organization numbering about forty, made up of the alumni of the school, has decided to take up the matter with a vigorous hand. Under the leadership of President W. A. Joiner, a canvass will be begun at once for subscriptions. A committee embracing such representative men and women as Register W. T. Vernon, J. A. Lankford, General Henry Forrest, Mrs. Emily Embry Vernon, John T. Layton, Mrs. Mary Hamilton Houston, Dr. W. L. Board, J. S. Coage, Mrs. M. E. Cheeks, Dr. and Mrs. J. F. Hurst, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Hall, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Wright, Mr. and Mrs. J. Frank Blagburn, Rev. L. M. Beckett, Misses Lucy Hamilton Nookes and Laura E. Joiner, will be called upon to take the initiative in the splendid work proposed. Full instructions as to the amount necessary for the support of a single scholar or a number of cholars have been forwarded by the energetic President W. S. Scarborough, and the matter will doubtless be agitated with the persistence and diligence that it deserves. The suggestion for the Foraker scholarship originated with Mrs. Patricia Robison, of Moro, Ore.

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Thanks to the progressive colored citizens of Freestone county, Texas, our Prof. Kelly Miller, dean of the College of Arts and Sciences of Howard University, has been ushered into the limelight in a new and highly practical fashion. A town, situated on the Trinity & Brazos Valley Railroad, about eighty-seven miles south of Dallas, has been founded by Afro-Americans for Afro-Americans, and has been named "Kelly Miller," as a tribute of their appreciation of his work for the advancement of the race. The town site covers 93 acres, having 24 blocks, subdivided into 312 lots, each block being 300 feet square. The public square is to be dedicated to the memory of the Texans' beloved leader, N. Wright Cuney. Washingtonians are displaying a pardonable pride over the popularity that Prof. Miller has won at the hands of his fellow-countrymen in every section of the land, and particularly in Texas, where he has been so signally and permanently honored.

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The Illinois politicians "of color" who aspire to be known as national leaders are sitting up of nights trying to take the measure of the new Senator from the "Sucker State," the Hon. William Lorimer. Among those busiest with the tape-line are Assistant Register of the Treasury Cyrus Field Adams, Charles E. Hall, Major John C. Buckner, Col. John R. Marshall, Major R. R. Jackson, Dr. M. A. Majors and other Cook county patriots, the majority of whom are casting "sheep's-eyes" at the fat job now held down by Brother Adams. Walter R. Farmer, who has the advantage of hailing from both Illinois and Missouri, is expected on the ground with a yard-stick at an early date, prepared to stake off a choice claim, independent of the brethren of either State, with Senator Lorimer or Secretary Nagel as his alternating currents of "influence." The Illinois situation is threatening to give somebody trouble ere long.

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The canvass for subscriptions to the Y. M. C. A. goes merrily on.

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A cablegram from Commissioner Emmett J. Scott, from Monrovia, Liberia, states that the party has finished its work in Liberia proper, and is getting ready to return homeward. Before sailing, however, he is making some investigations in Sierra Leone, and will touch at the Madeira and Canary Islands for observation purposes. The trip has been pleasant and informing, but Mr. Scott adds that he is half "homesick," and will not be sorry to follow the path of the setting sun, leading to American shores.

R. W. THOMPSON.

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DE STO'M.

To Harry Fiddler.

[He is of the team of Fiddler & Shelton, and has for many years delighted great audiences through his ability to render selections in many kinds of dialect, correctly.]

It sho' is rainin' on ma h'art, lil' gal,
An' de clouds dey's gittin' moughty da'k, lil' gal.
What's de reason? Ah kin tell:
On dis hea't yo's caused a spell!
An' since den I ain't bin well, lil' gal.

My! I'se sho' bin lightnin' struck, lil' gal!
Des cain't eat no kin' a-truck, lil' gal;
Yo' kin talk des all yo' please,
Yo' kin laugh an' lie an' tease,
But yo's got dis pain to ease, yo' lil' gal.

Why, de rain hab stopped at las' lil' gal,
An' de clouds is moughty nigh pas' lil' gal;
Sun done come out cleah an' bright,
An' lawdee! but ma heart is light
Since she say dat I'se all right, dat lil' gal.

Charles D. Marshall.

Bowman and St. Clair are filling an engagement this week at the Rose Theater, Centralia, Wash.

Carita Day and her "picks" played to crowded houses at the Unique Theater, Minneapolis, Minn., last week.

Mrs. Mattie Wade, of S. Omaha, Neb., who sings soprano and alto at the same time, will appear in public in the early fall.

The Whitman Sisters opened Joed & Glickstein's Airdom at Jacksonville, Fla., last week, with the s. r. o. sign every night.

E. B. Dudley would like to hear from Ed Fuje at once. Business of much importance. Please address at once to 445 South Fourth avenue, Mt. Vernon, N. Y.

James H. and Jessie Harris closed with F. L. Mahara's Minstrels May 5, and are now filling a summer engagement in the East, under the management of S. H. Dudley.

Henry and Caldwell, after eight years' separation, have joined hands again to embark in vaudeville. The team will be known as the One Billy Caldwell and Len W. Henry.

Powell's Minstrels opened their summer season at Rensselaer Park, Wednesday, May 26, at Troy, N. Y., and turned away about five hundred people at the first performance.

Harrison Stewart, featured comedian of the Pekin Theater Stock Company, Chicago, on the evening of his birthday, which comes on Decoration day, had as his guest Mr. and Mrs. William Butler and Sylvester Russell, to supper at the Pekin Cafe.

E. B. Dudley spent an enjoyable time at his home, Darlington, S. C., last week, and gave Frank Keith, who is the Freeman representative of that city, plenty of good news for his many patrons. Mr. Dudley wishes to be remembered to the old home boys.

Frank Nichols, the monologuist, writes that he is making quite a hit in vaudeville, singing his new song, "I Ain't Going to Bother Nobody 'thout Somebody Bothers Me." Best regards to S. H. Dudley and John Vaughner. They seem to keep me busy in California.

Misses Oma Crosby and Mayme Selly, two of the old Pekin ponies, who gained much prestige at that noted theter in Chicago, are now with Billy Johnson's Dusky Valentine act, playing Luna Park, Pittsburg, Pa.; last week, and received many commendable press notices for their clever singing and dancing.

Sylvester Russell, who is now located in Chicago, is residing at the home of his friend, Billy Williams, indefinitely, by invitation. Mr. Williams is a contortionist, but has now retired from the stage to enter into a more profitable vocation. He has given Mr. Russell the use of his combination library and writing desk, to which a new set of encyclopedia's has been added. Mr. Russell is now publishing a local advertisers' magazine.

J. Elmer Spyglass, described as a world-renowned baritone, of Toledo, Ohio, will make his initial appearance in Washington, June 15, at the Metropolitan A. M. E. Church, in a classical recital. He sings in English, German, French and Italian, and has been heard to advantage in Paris, Munich, London, Glasgow, and the leading art and musical centers of Europe. He will be assisted by Miss Charlotte Wallace, contralto, H. Leonard Jeter, 'cellist, and Miss Mary L. Europe, accompanist. The proceeds will go for the benefit of the Home for Friendless Girls, of which Mrs. Rosetta E. Lawson is president and manager.

S. T. DUNSMORE'S MIGHTY MINSTRELS.

S. T. Dunsmore's Mighty Modern Minstrel Company, with the Ringling Shows, sadly regrets the death of the great colored comedian, Ernest Hogan, who was known personally by all of the company. They also regret that they could not be present at the funeral, on account of their train being late getting into Paterson, N. J. It was their desire to take the band over in full uniform to render their services free of charge. All members of the company are well and keep jolly. George McCoy is still keeping the bunch laughing. W. E. Barbour, our car comedian, is still on the job.

CULLIGAN'S NASHVILLE STUDENTS.

Showing to good time in Oregon and Washington. L. McDuff, our band leader, left Salem on the 25th and went to Portland to renew acquaintances with his many friends who are with the Sells-Floto shows, and had a pleasant trip, rejoining us in The Dalles. Ed L. Anderson sends best wishes to all. The Mitchells, Fulton and Rose, still entertain our audiences to full satisfaction in their singing, talking, dancing specialty, as also does Walter Jones in his single, while Marvelous La She, our slick wire artist, is no second-rater as a novelty act. McDuff and Mitchell send regards to Owsley, Boosier, Taylor and Prince and the Patti show.

BANQUET FOR V. P. HOLDEN & CO.

The grandest event of the season was tendered V. P. Holden and his Dixie Land Minstrels, who were highly entertained on May 24, 1909, at Starlight's Cafe, Cleveland, Ohio. The reception hall was beautifully decorated and brightly illuminated, and an excellent program was rendered by Shelton Brooks, Tink Parker and other members of the profession. Raulston H. White was master of ceremonies. The committee on arrangements was Messrs. Arthur Walker, James Budd and Raymond Saunders. A sumptuous repast was served. As Mr. Holden entered the banquet hall a storm of applause was given in his honor. Then followed Mme. M. L. Simmons, soprano and star of the company; Frosty Moore, comedian; Miss Rosa Payne and Miss Winona Crigler, soubrettes. The proprietor of the colored Starlight buffet has the pleasure of owning one of the swellest buffets and cafes in the United States. The evening was pleasantly spent, and every one left with best wishes, saying "Long live the Starlight!" V. P. Holden sends regards to friends in and out of the profession.

"THE DIXIELAND SPECTACLE."

One of the big features at the Alaska-Yukon-Pacific Exposition is "The Dixieland Spectacle," which comprises a group of one hundred and thirty-five colored performers, headed by James Lacy's band of thirty pieces. Mr. Lacy also has charge of the orchestra of twelve pieces.

Seemingly it is something out of the ordinary to the Westerners to see such a large and well-trained chorus of colored ladies and gentlemen, and, judging from the fact that many are turned away at every performance, it is quite an advertisement.

On the opening day, June 1, the weather was quite chilly for a summer's day, nevertheless the crowds were anxious to see the only Negro show on the grounds.

The Dixies are just as happy as larks, and will return to Chicago about October 18 with big rolls of greenbacks and gold, and will surprise the many Windy City prophets who predicted they would dwell in camps and walk back to Chicago; on the contrary, they are dwelling in nice, comfortable rooms, built especially for the occasion, where they can enjoy themselves reading The Freeman every week. All are well.

LUNA PARK VAUDEVILLE OPENS.

May 3 Messrs. Smith & Wester opened their Luna Park Vaudeville at Chattanooga, Tenn., to capacity business. The show is a good one, having some of the best talent of the South. Billy Kersands, the king of minstrelsy, who, with Mrs. Kersands, is summering with David Smith, gave us some very encouraging remarks on our opening night. He is a frequent visitor, which adds much to our success. Our house is a large one, well ventilated, and furnished with all modern conveniences. Our principal coemdians are James Johnson and Ed Davis, who are top-liners in their work. Misses Mary Bradford, Sallie Jones and Hester Green add much to the singing and dancing part of the show. Harry & Bish, two of the greatest kid buck dancers of the South, are with us, and keep the house in continual applause from start to finish. These kids bid fair to become the greatest dancers of their race. Regards to all the profession.

A RABBIT'S FOOT COMEDY CO.

The company is in Alabama. Everybody is well and greeted everywhere by pleased and appreciative audiences. Our parade and concert band is par excellence. The Royal Palm Trio, consisting of James De Costa, William Washington and Herbert Lewis, comes in nightly for unstinted praise, as does Mack Allen, our wire walker. Willie Glenn, in the principal comedy role made famous by Happy Howe, is all that could be desired. Miss Effie Means, our soubrette and dancer, comes in for a lion's share of the applause. John Henry Jackson, as one of the principal comedians, and in the character of "Parson Chickenweed," is doing nicely, as is also Joe Means. Will Goff Kennedy and wife joined at Talladega, Ala. He is one of the old original members. He comes to take charge of the stage. Miss Emma Goldie, one of our charming soubrettes, is singing one of the season's song successes with telling effect. Our fifteen-piece band plays standard and popular music, which makes the natives sit up and talk. Everybody sends regards to friends in and out of the profession.

DIXIE PARK AUDITORIUM, NEW ORLEANS, LA.

The Kenner & Lewis Amusement Company presents Joseph Taylor's comedy in one act, "Only a Barrel of Flour." Cast: Mr. Bradstreet, a flour merchant, John E. Lewis; Old Banks, a wealthy farmer and good-timer, Joseph Taylor; Mama Banks, his better half, Sidney Coleman; Billy, Bradstreet's driver, out for a good time, Lew Kenner; Slow, looking for a job, Luke Galvin. Scenes: First meeting of Old Banks and Bradstreet; after a social drink, Bill makes the weight; the good time; Banks' house; the discovery of fake; barrel of flour. Olio: Mildred Kernion, the girl with the ziz; Miles & Coleman, artistic dancers and singers; Kenner & Lewis, the people's favorite entertainers and singers; Abbie Pellebon, queen of soubrettes, sang a song, "It's Hard to Love Somebody When Somebody Don't Love You," and made a big hit; Joseph Taylor, king of the slack artists; Tillie Johnson, the dainty little soubrette; Prof. Moncrief's moving pictures. June 6 "A Pipe Dream" will be given.

ALLEN'S TROUBADOURS AT LINCOLN PARK, NEW ORLEANS.

Allen's Troubadours presented the musical farce, "Gimme My Money," last Sunday at Lincoln Park, with the following cast:

Opening scene, interior of a saloon on Franklin street. Cast of characters: Stick Gin Mose, G. W. Allen; Mrs. Hot Head Mose, Mme. (Lazell Price; Bad Liquor Sam, Ed Steward; Sloppy Pete, Richard Carr; Tom Bad Eye, Jas. Brown; John Blue Bill, the bartender, Joseph Plummer; Bad Blackwell, the police, John Weatherspoon. Song used in this act, "Don't Take Me Home," by G. W. Allen.

Specialties—Daisy Reynolds, "Oh, Miss Malinda;" The Hobo Quartet, Brown, Carr, Plummer, Steward; Allen, Lazell & Co., "Just One, Dearie;" Joseph Plummer, "Nothing Hardly Ever Troubles Me;" Lazell and Allen (made a big hit), "If Your Heart Is Right, You Can Do Me No Wrong;" Ed Steward, "On a Monkey Honeymoon;" Misses Lazell, Reynolds, Carr and Lee, "Let's Go Back to Baby Days."

"Gimme My Money"—Cast of characters: Coal Chute Watson, G. W. Allen; Mrs. Sookie Coal Chute, Mme. Lazell Price; Good time Jones, Ed Steward. This act supported by entire company.

COMMENTS ON CARLISLE AND BAKER.

"An attractive program is put forward at the Royal Hippodrome this week, and the crowded state of the auditorium at each performance shows how much the good fare provided is appreciated by the public. 'The Coloured Aristocrats' is the title of a musical sketch presented by the Carlisle and Baker Company. In this four performers appear, and two of them prove themselves talented players on the pianoforte. They play with much skill and spirit, and their singing also is highly commendable. The lady of the company sings, dances and acts with abundance of 'go,' and her efforts meet with the fullest approbation. The fourth member of the combination is got-up as a conventional 'nigger,' and is very amusing. The whole of this turn is very enjoyable, and at the close the quartet of performers were recalled again and again."

"Carlisle and Baker made a great hit with their originai musical novelty, 'The Coloured Aristocrats,' at The Empire. As the title implies, the company are a troupe of coloured artistes, but they deserve to rank quite above the average. The two male members possess voices of exceptionally fine timbre, and were heard to advantage in vocal numbers of their own composition, while their piano playing was a revelation of lightness of touch."

SPIKES BROS. IN ARIZONA.

Spikes Brothers' Comedy Stars are making a decided hit through the Territories of Arizona and New Mexico with a company of twenty people. The brass band doesn't fail to please all lovers of music. The show is cleaning up nightly. It is headed by Spikes Brothers, famous novelty musical artists. Punch Jones, the old reliable funmaker, is still bringing the audiences by singing Spikes Brothers' latest composition, "If You Can't Make It Easy, Get a Job and Go to Work." Miss Myrle Sweres is screaming nightly "The Monkey-land" and doing the jungle dance, of which latter she is the sole originator. Miss Maizy Cambwell, alias Ida Buckner, in her dance, is mopping up with her clever demonstrations. Miss Cleo Williams is making a hit singing "Shine On. Harvest Moon." Miss Mamie Williams, our prima donna, is scoring nightly singing "If I Had a Thousand Lives to Live." James Wynn, the man with plenty wind, and Johnson, the funny man, are side-splitters and favorites of the whole company. The company is under the direction of J. C. and B. F. Spikes, with Punch Jones stage manager. Ben D. Perry is our worthy advance agent and the man for the place. Band under the leadership of J. C. Spikes. Orchestra under direction of R. B. Spikes. The entire company sends regards to all professionals in and out of the business.

ALLEN'S MINSTRELS.

P. L. Jenkins writes:

We are still making a hit nightly with both band and show, and the crowds go away highly pleased. The olio will soon be materially strengthened by an act which comes direct from the fertile brain of our capable and accomplished manager, Mr. Allen.

Billy Richardson, the Florida funmaker, sends regards to Stella Smith and Son De Zon.

William Fisher, euphonium player, who was recently very ill, has been completely restored to normal health, his marvelous recuperative powers being in evidence. He is at work again, and sends regards to all friends.

Prof. McCammon made a flying trip to Paris, Tex., recently. He sends regards to Marshall and Ernest Royal, and says, How do you like matrimony?

Pearl Moppin, hoop roller and trombonist, is rendering "Tuberose Polka" at high noon daily, and at night Mr. Jenkins, who recently went into solo work, renders a trombone solo. Both gentlemen receive much praise from the public at each of their respective concerts.

G. B. Brooks sends regards to H. Q. Clark and bunch.

Bill Nunan sends regards to J. H. Williams, and says, hitting, hitting, hitting!

Phillip Williams, of Alexandria, La., our ballad songster, sends regards to the profession.

Johnnie Smith sends regard to Hamilton and Trice.

Robert Miller is much bereaved over the recent death of his beloved grandmother, which occurred very recently at Yazoo City, Miss. He has the sympathy of the entire company.

FLORIDA BLOSSOMS.

The Florida Blossoms Company is still doing s. r. o. business in North Carolina. The show is leaving a reputation that none of its kind can reach. It is well put together. Leroy Knox, who makes them yell when he comes in as "Mandy" in the last act, opens the show by taking two and three encores singing "Good Evening, Miss Caroline." Miss Kathryn Price is pleasing them with that "Loving Rag." Eddie Miller, our rising comedian, is cleaning up with "Old Black Crow." Miss Della Smith is carrying them with "Play That Rag." Coyden Herndon is doing nicely as a hoop roller. The Fishers, Cora and Larney, are surprising the country with their new act entitled "Music, Mirth and Melody." Mrs. Fisher is sure a wonder with her feet. Larney Fisher makes the house scream with his late prescription for side pleurisy. Clarence Steward, Florida's most famous comedian, keeps the audience laughing from start to finish and singing "I Didn't Ask, He Didn't Say, So I Don't Know." The roster is as follows: E. B. Dudley, bandmaster and orchestra leader; Walter Child, solo cornet; George Crump, solo cornet; George Motto, clarinet; Clarence Steward and Ed Miller, first and second altos; George Christian, baritone; John H. Tobias, first trombone; Clifford Prater, second trombone; little Joe Miller, tuba; Larney Fisher, snare drum; Cloud Glover, bass drum. Some band and show! Kind regards to all friends in and out of the profession. Prof. E. B. Dudley sends regards to Frank Keith, and he says, "White me, Ed Frye. Address 445 Fourth avenue, Mt. Vernon, N. Y. Important news." Little Joe Miller sends regards to Allen's bunch. Messrs. Douglas and Worthey, our smiling managers are laughing on both sides of their faces. They say that the ghost will never get crippled and get unable to walk—performers are afraid of spirits, but they don't fear this ghost. Clarence Steward and Larney Fisher send regards to S. T. Dunsmore's and P. G. Lowery's bunch. S. C. Catlett, our scene artist, is with us, and will remain for the coming season. Miss Estella Smith is doing nicely as belle of the ball.

CARLISLE AND BAKER PRESENTING NEW NOVELTY.

Empire Hippodrome,
Bristol, England, May 20, 1909.

Mr. Elwood Knox:

Dear Sir and Friend—Just a line or two to let you know what we are doing and where we are. We are both well, and hope you and all others connected with the paper are in the best of health. The weather here is beautiful at present. We are meeting with great success every place we go. We are producing our newest novelty, being assisted by two other people, a lady and a man, and the critics and people say it is the greatest colored act in the business. We have written a little play around the novelty work we do on our two grand pianos. We are using all our own composition in the sketch. This is the third act we have produced over here, and while the others were big successes, this one has proven to be the best piece of work we have ever done and produced. We have some better things yet that we have not introduced to the people. We have finished writing one comic opera, and we are setting the music to another one. Miss Mamie Emerson and Phillip Giles, late of the Sunny South act, are assisting us in our latest novelty, and they are having great success with their parts in the sketch. Miss Emerson is winning the audience each night with her dainty dancing, and singing one of our latest successes entitled "When Spring Weds Summer." Mr. Giles is a laughting hit each night with his novelty buck dance in his tight-fitting suit of clothes, and singing our latest original pleading coon song entitled "Make Me a Pallet on the Floor."

We will produce our newest idea in America as soon as the managers will let us come back. We have written the act in such a way that it shows the Negro from the classic works down to refined ragtime, and we think that any person of our race that sees the act will and can be proud of it. George sends his best regards to you. We all join in sending regards to all friends in and out of the profession. We enclose billings and clippings, so you can see what the people think of us over here. Would be pleased to hear from you at any time. Yours respectfully,

Carlisle & Baker.

FIDDLER & SHELTON VISIT THEIR OLD HOME

Big Time Shown Them—Both Make Banquet Orators.

The recent visit of Messrs. Fiddler & Shelton to Indianapolis, their home, created a great deal of stir in the professional and social circles. It seemed that every moment of their stay here was made a busy one for the two very popular actors. The Sumner League club members did honors by giving them "little private banquets," in which the best brands—of songs and jokes predominated. Always good old stories were told about the old times the two lads of old Hoosierdom spent with "the rest of the gang."

Did you ever hear "Jake" Fiddler make an after-dinner speech? If you haven't you have missed a great deal. He's the Chauncey M. Depew of his race. It seems that whenever Mr. Fiddler drops into "my old home," he is ever signaled to dine out, and surely speaks as though he would not get good things to eat unless he spoke for them. When he is prevailed upon to say something, Fiddler usually takes a minute to get up, but in getting out of his seat he loses no time in delighting you with some of his ready wit and humor. From then on he goes, saying things that will make your eyes wet from laughter, and as quick he may move you to pathos. "Fid," as they call him, can be very serious, just as much so as he is funny. I remember that one night at a banquet which was given in Mr. Fiddler's honor he became very serious while making one of those speeches. You see, Harry has a habit of sounding his "r's," "d's" and "o's" very forcibly when speaking, and that night, when he was laying stress on the letters mentioned, a sprinkle of water would escape from his lips every time. When he got to the middle of his speech, in fun, about all the persons who sat around the long table had slipped out one by one and returned with rubber coats on. Where they obtained them I do not know, but they had them, and many persons were wet about the shoulders by the time Harry had finished. Talk about being serious! He was seriousness itself.

Now, for curtain speeches get R. Byron Shelton, and you've got the goods, par excellence. Just give him a pencil to play with in his fingers. Let an audience be ever so noisy, Shelton knows how to get their attention, and he does not do so by raising his voice to the utmost. When he enters upon the stage of a noisy, applauding house, he assumes the most intense expression (through eye-glasses), as though the very crux of the performance hung on what he has to say, and at the same time drops his voice to the lowest pitch. One night, when he had started to make one of those pretty little curtain speeches, a young lady steps up to the stage and hands him a bunch of onions with a large pink ribbon bow neatly tied around it, and, returning to her seat, said: "Don't you think you had better make your bow?" Everybody thought it was in the play except "Ruby."

Charles D. Marshall.

M'CARVER AND ROBINSON BIG FAVORITES.

Indianapolis Audiences Well Pleased With Their Work.

Billy McCarver and Blondie Robinson, billed as the "Brazilian Eccentrics," are appearing at the English Opera House, of this city, this week, in a splendid turn. As has been stated by a keen observer, it is truly an act for the eye, for the way the two real artists are being received in the highest priced house in town is proof of the strongest kind that they are giving the public the sort of entertainment that all headline acts in fashionable vaudeville should give. What the average theatergoer will most likely enjoy greatly about this act is—thank heaven!—that it is nothing like all other Negro acts. They up, dance, sing and work their stage business altogether different from all other teams. It looks as though they have figured out that borrowing counts for nothing and originality is everything.

Billy McCarver is a comedian that you cannot run across every month in the year, because he is so extraordinarily clever and a performer who does things not to be imitated. What strikes the man of color wonderfully is his make-up and his contortion and pantomime business. He can dance and sing without a bit of "stall," being ignited to it. Not once does Billy resort to any of the old slap-stick business; instead, he is ever on the jump, handing out fresh stuff. And no wonder the Hoosier audience likes him.

Blondie Robinson is about as careful an actor as any one wishes to see. He has a presence on the stage that is winning, because his carriage is commanding, his gestures exact at all times and his speech distinct and engaging. A performer of his ilk could take a comedian of the weakest sort and make him a solid hit; for, to the onlooker, his efforts give one that idea.

All of us are always glad to see acts like McCarver and Robinson's, because it reflects so much credit on the race. You can sit among your white fellow-townsmen during the procedure of their sketch and not have to hang your head in shame. But, rather, you can hold your head up high and feel proud because you are satisfied that they will do something worthy of the highest appreciation. They do not have to shave their heads, cover their faces with black grease paints, nor do contortion tricks with their lips to create laughter among the whites, because they know well-bred people who attend theaters don't see anything entertaining in such performances. Is there anything meritorious in a performer opening his mouth as wide as he can and shouting out some foolish coon song, then working his lips ridiculously? The fellow that does such work always finds himself working in poor houses at a very low salary. Thanks to McCarver and Robinson, they are paving the way for other colored actors who have taken to the idea of producing original, up-to-dtae, clean sketches. This team is the first of color to ever work on the English Opera House stage, and it is safe to say that they have made it possible for the act to secure a return date without any trouble whatever.

Charles Marshall.

DEHOMEY ABLAZE!

By Juli Jones.

Well, this dear old stroll is simply in an uproar. The weather has settled itself, and that settles everything, and to think that the Eighth Regiment was in line in the Decoration Day parade. The band was composed of sixty-six pieces for the day. We swung into Michigan avenue forty-four abreast from Thirty-first street. There was nothing to prevent it, for the weather man had been fixed. We showed the circus man how to count. After the parade and promenade we descended into Dehomey and opened the season proper without speech or ceremony. Out-of-town visitors had to call some other time, as the show shops had been sold out, from a theatrical standpoint. There's more trouble in Dehomey than the big vaudeville wheel had a little over a year ago. Robert T. Motts, of the Pekin Theater, threw a bomb among the 10-cent houses when he came out bold with a one-sheet poster, announcing the original Cooper-Robinson direct from the Majestic Theater. It looked like a big joke at first, but things changed after it became positive that the original would appear as an extra attraction with the original stock company. The ten-centers got busy, and agreed to pool the latter; chipped in and made Bert A. Williams an offer of four figures, at the same time sent Ringling Bros. a wire for prices on small circuses for one week. Manager Motts laughed when he heard what had been done, and said that he had made Dehomey what it is at a big cost; that small houses invaded after he had done the work, and that he had another dose to give them.

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Once upon a time it was hard to get a good act in Dehomey, but things have changed. Now you can't find a bad act. Any one who intends to play around here had better come clean, no matter how big you go elsewhere. Here is a list of acts that have played or are playing the Stroll: Bert Grant; Original Rags; Joe Sims; Banks and Glass; Rogers, the ventriloquist; Perrin and Crosby; Three Dancing Mitchells; Anna Wilkins; Bessie Belle; Barney and Freeman; Billy King; Lizzie Hart; Robinson and McCarver; Billy Earthquake; Josephine De Vance; Miller and Lyles; Saparro and Barney; George Hal; Lulu Lamar; Marsh Craig; the Golden Gate Quintette; Cooper and Robinson. It would be well for acts to cut this out and bear in mind what they have to follow. If you are right, come right, brother, but remember, if not, then you will receive your little tin can.

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The houses along the Stroll had the best balanced bills the past week that they have had the past season and did a land office business, beginning at the Temple of Music, offering George Hall as the standard attraction; Anna Wilkene, late of the Williams and Walker Company; Lord Joe Simms, and the Six Little Musical Byrons, with their boots on. The Grand, right there on time, offered Florence Whitney, Barney and Freeman, Bert Grant and Sir Billy King. The Monogram offered a whale of a bill—Perrin and Crosby, the Three Dancing Mitchells and Kid Brown's dancing and banjo playing. Manager Kline, of the Monogram, has pulled off his coat to fight right good acts. Can get good mnoey over the Dehomey Circuit now.

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Brown and Hodges slipped over somebody. They were selected as one of the star acts to make up a vaudeville bill to support James J. Jeffries at the Star last week. Will some one please tell us what he passed for this time, and on the Morris time at that?

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Billy King, of the Georgia Minstrels, has somewhat taken Dehomey, after working two weeks at the Grand, and has moved across the street to the Monogram for two weeks. He has joined hands with Joe Sims to put on a parlor minstrel, then Doyle wants to see Billy.

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Fiddler and Shelton opened at the Majestic this week, second in command. Just to think this same act broke in Chicago, playing all kinds of dumps for any kind of money. It was pointed out through these columns. These gentlemen are original and inimitable. They worked hard and advertised in everything; polished, off and on the stage.

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Juli Jones has been trying to arrange a baseball game between the Cole and Johnson's "Red Moons" and the Leland Giants. He placed the matter in a baseball "handy capper's" hand, and here is what he handed me: To make the game even the Leland Giants must beat the Red Moons. First, the Lelands have to make 40 runs to 0 to win, to make the game interesting. Any Red Moon that hits the ball gets a new hat; any Red Moon that reaches first base gets a pair of shoes; any Red Moon that reaches second base gets a suit of clothes; the Red Moon that reaches the third base receives an automobile. The royal Reed Moon that gets home will receive a thousand preferred stock in Illinois Central Railroad. The Red Moon that knocks a home run gets tickets around the world for the whole team. These inducements are enough for any team. Mosely, of the Lelands, says it goes, but every Red Moon must bring a signed certificate that he is a Red Moon of the Cole and Johnson reservation. These Westerners are not as big suckers as they look to be. The Red Moons might ring Myers or Soxless and put one over the right field fence and create a panic.

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Bert Grant and Joe Jordon met face to face, but did not speak as they passed. Reason given is that Grant says that Jordon did not know what kind of shoes to wear with a light suit of clothes. Jordon says no gentleman would dare to stroll without gloves an da cane. Mr. Grant says that he has ordered an automobile, Jordon gave him the laugh and said that he had just completed a deal for a Ferris wheel. This fight for fashion leader of Dehomey is getting serious. There will be something startling from J. Ed Green in the next issue.

FIDDLER AND SHELTON CAPTURE CHICAGO.

By Sylvester Russell.

New serials of technology, hampered by the grievous apprehensions of an actor's sainted kingdom, always come to performers when fruitful toil has reached the lowest ebb of keen expectancy. Mr. Harry Fiddler, the mimic-comedian, and R. Byron Shelton, the cultivated baritone and piano manipulator, have now reached the vortex of popularity. It happened in the new Majestic Theater, at Chicago, May 31, 1909. Now we have made it an historic record. The Majestic is the most aristocratic vaudeville theater in Chicago and next to the finest house of class variety in the world. Although these two modern, progressive entertainers were fifth on the bill at the opening matinee, they were moved down to tenth at the evening performance, and their act clearly demonstrated by the resounding applause they received from all parts of the house that Fiddler and Shelton must surely be the hit of the show. This great achievement at the hands of the public means that next season they will be able to command a ratio par value on the possible limitation of each man, and managers will be willing to pay the price because the two men have delivered the goods, and the dear public has saw fit to recognize them and demand their services. The greatest thing about these two big star entertainers is their brief brilliancy. There are no waits, no long meters, no funeral sermons, no faking, no stale or stolen goods, and no concealing of the identity of their race. Mr. Fiddler, who formerly worked on the end in the Georgia Minstrels, like Mr. Shelton, was first brought prominently to light when John W. Isham launched his Oriental America so sumptuously in New York. Mr. Fiddler's next best showing was in the cast of the late Ernest Hogan's "Rufus Rastus" company. It was during that import of Mr. Fiddler's paraphernalia that I asserted that he was ready to be a successful vaudeville star, and he and his partner, Mr. Shelton, have now proved that assertion. It takes a real critic to name a star. Neither mere mechanical writers, with picture effect, nor newspaper editors, that see fit to turn down the voluntary efforts of their superiors in literature, can in no wise accomplish this end in justice to deserving, talented actors and other particular features of race progress.

Of the bill presented at the Majestic, it may be said that Miss Marie Dainton, an English mimic and singer, who was billed as the headliner, did not prove to be the star attraction at all. Miss Dainton, who is a cultured singer, would have made a great hit in America if she had delivered what the public wanted in ragtime songs and dancing. So in this respect Fiddler and Shelton carried the honors away right before our very eyes, allowing Fanny Rice to come in for second honors, and R. C. Herz, a talented legitimate actor, third. R. Byron Shelton is a pianist of no mean ability; his method is easy and his shading is of a superior light touch, such as I have failed to discover in most colored composers. His voice is a rich, mellow baritone, and it would not do well to enter into argument or detail as to the richness of his voice. He carries no special piano, and if he should advance to become a comedy star he will then know that his vaudeville days are over—at least while he is performing in legitimate comedy.

Harry Fiddler, I can safely say, in sticking to his own dear, original imitations, sticks to his trade, and the progressive revision and modern improvements he constantly adds to them cannot possibly be rated as old by any sane writer, especially in these days, when hardly anything is strictly original.

What I have seen of Majestic shows during the last two months indicates that a certain concoction of organized performers and under-managers will not be very long able to stand the storm of public preference of American audiences insisting on what they want by heavy applause. The climax will only come when such managers as B. F. Keith, who is to the vaudeville profession what Theodore Roosevelt is to this entire nation at large, assert regardlessly that what the public wants of any race or color, it must have. We will then look for Fiddler and Shelton as headliners next season, and at an advanced salary, if you please.

ST. PAUL, MINN.

Special to The Freeman.

Elmo Turner, a brother of Dr. Val Do Turner, died on May 27, and was buried from Pilgrim Baptist Church on Sunday, May 30. Mr. Turner was a graduate of the agricultural department of the State University, and a very industrious and enterprising young man....On Tuesday evening, May 25, the Boys' Culture Club gave their third annual exhibition at Tschida's Hall. The club was addressed by Hon. F. L. McGhee and Rev. A. H. Lealtad. Mr. McGhee gave $10 to the boy who had made the best record during the past year. There were boxing and wrestling bouts, club swinging, wand drills, bag punching, etc. Louis Moore was awarded a handsome gold ring also for making the best record in exhibitions. M. A. Bolling organized this club three years ago, and is to be greatly commended in his indefatigable efforts to promote a feeling of brotherhood among its members, to teach them the principles of honest, intelligent self-government, that they may become strong mental and physical men....Mrs. John W. Kelly presented her husband a fine boy on May 30....Joseph Moore and Miss Laura Carr, bot hof Chicago, were married at the home of Mrs. Gillis, on Rondo street, May 9....Mrs. Harriett Murphy has gone to Moline, Ill., to spend the summer with her daughter, Mrs. George Tarver....There will be a floral concert and shirtwaist party given under the auspices of the Mission Club at Bowlby Hall on Monday evening, June 7....Mrs. Emma Dodd Taylor died at St. Luke's Hospital on Sunday, May 30....Henry Crawford, our hustling young paper distributor, is also a good athlete. He was awarded a gold ring for the good record he has made during the past year....Mrs. Charles Bates, of Tennessee, and Howard Turner, of St. Louis, a sister and brother of Dr. V. D. Turner, are in the city. They came to attend the funeral of their brother, the late Elmo Turner....Mrs. G. W. Wills has returned from Washington, D. C., where she has been for several weeks....Luther M. Thornton has been appointed sub letter carrier at the central postoffice....J. H. Dillingham will got to Duluth, Minn., to organize a new U. B. F. Lodge and S. M. T. Temple. This order is increasing faster than any other Negro lodge in the State.

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THE FREEMAN POSTOFFICE

Notice.—Persons whose names appear in the following list will kindly send for mail, as the names will appear four times and then returned to writer or dead-letter office. It would prevent delay if all performers would send route from time to time and letter could be forwarded at once.

Gentlemen's List.

Bartlett, Pat.
Bebee, C. W.
Edwards, Charles T.
Edwards, John L.
Elliott, Eddie Foy
Johnson, Roy
Jones, Clarence P.
Kemp, Bob
Kersands, Billy
Miller, Joe
Mitchell, Fulton
Puggsley, Harper
Ransom, James
Steward, Richard
Sherman, J. E.
Williams, J. H.
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MEMBER TRUSTEE BOARD

President W. H. Taft Accepts Place for Hampton Institute

Special to THE FREEMAN.

President William Howard Taft is a member of the board of trustees of Hampton Normal and Agricultural Institute, the nation's greatest school for the joint instruction of the Negro and the Indian, and from which Booker T. Washington was graduated. Mr. Taft's letter, accepting a place on the board, was as follows:

"White House, Washington, D. C.,
"May 14, 1909.

"My Dear Mr. Frissell:

"I have your note announcing my election as a member of the board of Hampton trustees. I consider it an honor to be one of them, and shall be very glad to contribute what little I can to the continued success of the school.

"Very sincerely yours,
"WILLIAM H. TAFT."

The President was to have attended the commencement exercises at Hampton last Saturday, but was prevented from doing so by the illness of Mrs. Taft. It is no secret that he is an ardent believer in industrial training for the masses of an undeveloped people and that he regards agriculture and the trades as the cornerstone of national growth—the natural underpinning of the professions and art, literature and science. Mr. Taft is a member of the board of trustees in charge of the Jeanes Fund for the benefit of the Negro rural schools in the South, and the next meeting of the body will be held in the White House in the near future. There are those who predict that Mr. Taft's deep interest in the welfare of Tuskegee Institute, and his faith in what Booker T. Washington's work means to the uplift of the Negro race, may ultimately lead him to accept a place on the trustee board of that institution.

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As we remarked last week, the big places that are usually parcelled out to the colored voters are not being considered as yet. They are filled by worthy men—men who have been loyal to Mr. Roosevelt in his day and who stood up for Mr. Taft when he needed moral support and delegates. If there are to be changes in the so-called "Black Cabinet," as at present constituted, such changes are likely to be made slowly. Promotions and transfers may be made and such shifts ordered that will put none of them out in the cold, cold world. New developments are lacking this week. The early-bird candidates are still on the anxious perch, awaiting the call of the fates with as much patience as they are able to command. Nelson Crews and one Mr. Wassom, of Missouri, will try for the Recordership of Deeds, but the wise-acres hint that three high-salaried places are not apt to be given to the Missouri-Kansas contingent; so, with Register Vernon representing that locality, the fellows who bet would not lay much on the chances of the newer aspirants at this stage of the game. The Ohio situation is being watched with exceeding care. The complications surrounding Mr. Elmer Dover are being placed in a deadly parallel in the consideration of the cases of some of the colored men who are expecting positions above the average. Kentucky seems to have a "cinch" on at least one good appointment. "Your Uncle" W. O. Bradley is not loafing on his job, as far as his colored constituents are concerned. The endorsement of Lawyer J. H. Lott, of Indiana, by Senator Beveridge is variously interpreted, no two agreeing as to what his action may mean with reference to the Negro leadership in the Hoosier State. Dr. M. A. Majors, of Chicago, formerly editor of the Conservator and an old contributor to many newspapers, is announced as willing to leave the Windy City and occupy the seat of the Assistant Register of the Treasury for a few years. Cook county, Illinois, seems to have preempted this particular job—presumably because the present incumbent hails from there. In the meantime, the "merry war" goes on, and no one but Mr. Taft himself can tell what the outcome is to be. If he knows, he won't tell—just now.

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Some medium-sized plums are being handed out to the "faithful." Colored men who have been drawing from $1,600 down to $660 have been promoted pretty lively within the last few months. H. C. Tyson, of the Sixth Audiotr's Office, has gone from $1,600 to $1,800; Dr. J. C. Norwood, in the office of the Auditor, has been given a similar boost upward; Robert Harlan, of Ohio, recently went from $1,400 to $1,600; Major Fillmore and W. H. Clifford, likewise of Ohio, are now $1,600 and $1,400 respectively; Major Arthur Brooks went to the White House with Mr. Taft, moving forward from $1,000 to $1,400; William Pannell went from $840 in the War Department to $1,000 at the White House; Edward C. Smith rose to Major Brooks' place with the Secretary of War, coming from the Bureau of Insular Affairs; B. R. Pinchback, in Auditor Tyler's office, moved up to $1,400 a few days ago, and E. A. Patton is now on the roll at $1,000 instead of $900, in the same office. S. F. Tyree, a $660 man in the Quartermaster-General's office, is now a blueprint operator at $900; John C. Reeves, of New York, in the War Department, was advanced to $660 not long ago. These are just a few promotions that come to us casually. Others will be noted from time to time. We must not overlook, however, the appointment of Archie Pinkett, of Pennsylvania, to a clerkship in the State Department, by Secretary Knox. Mr. Pinkett is the first colored man to hold a clerkship in this department. He has been with Mr. Knox for many years, following him through the office of Attorney-General, United States Senator, and now remaining with him in the State Department. In the Postoffice Department the colored clerks and carriers, here and elsewhere, are noticeably on the increase, through our bright boys taking advantage of the civil service examinations.

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At the recent Y. M. C. A. meeting, Dr. Booker T. Washington made the statemnet that the colored people of the District of Columbia are drawing annually from the Government service alone approximately $5,000,000. A local examiner of statistics attempted to correct the "Wizard's" estimate, placing his figures at less than $2,000,000. A later examiner, who used newer data, brought down to include recent appointments, promotions, etc., found that the Negro receives just a little less than $5,000,000—proving Dr. Washington to be "approximately" correct in the statement he gave out for the encouragement of those inclined to despair and for the enlightenment of those who do not take the trouble to post themselves through reliable authorities. When Dr. Washington gives out a positive declaration he invariably knows what he is talking about.

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This is "Howard University Week," with the high school cadets running close for second place. Will tell all about the big events in our next.

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Rev. William V. Tunnell, for a number of years warden of King Hall, the Episcopal divinity school in connection with Howard University, has been appointed a member of the Washington Board of Education, succeeding John F. Cook, whose term recently expired. Dr. Tunnell is a man of high Christian character, of broad views on education, and his designation gives satisfaction to the friends and patrons of the schools here. There is no truth in the rumor that Lawyer R. R. Horner, the other male member of the colored trio on the board, intends to resign "to engage in politics."

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Hon. Charles W. Anderson, collector of internal revenue, New York City, will deliver the principal address at the commencement of the public schools June 18.

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Rev. J. Milton Waldron has gone to Columbus, Ohio, to preside over the deliberations of the Negro-American Political Alliance.

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Editor W. Calvin Chase, of the Washington Bee, who has been confined to his home for several weeks, is said to be greatly improved.

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"The Octoroons," a scraped-up company of colored performers, hailing from New York, did not set the rivers on fire with their show at Kernan's this week.

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Register W. T. Vernon goes to Western University, Quindaro, Kan., to preach the baccalaureate sermon for that school.

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The new Colored Social Settlement House was dedicated last week with impressive ceremonies. Under the energetic management of Miss Eloise Bibb this commodious property has been secured and the people are rallying to her with funds to finish paying off the indebtedness. The best white people are lending generous assistance.

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Mr. John H. Paynter, author of "Joining the Navy, or Abroad with Uncle Sam," is writing a new book that promises to attract attention in the literary world. It will deal with departmental life in the national capital, and the facts are all gleaned from Mr. Paynter's personal observations covering a long service under the Government. In the previous story, he told of his experiences abroad. He now gets a closer view and brings the reader home with Uncle Sam. Mr. Paynter is a clever and instructive writer and the new book will be awaited with pleasurable anticipations.

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The news of the death of Ernest Hogan, "the Unbleached American," came as a shock to his host of friends here.

R. W. THOMPSON.

JACKSONVILLE, ILL.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

An excellent May pole drill was given at the K. of P. Hall, Tuesday night, May 18, by the Grant Club, under the auspices of Mrs. Mary Banks, assisted by Mrs. Florence Green McDaniel. The drill team was composed of sixteen young people. The pole was wrapped in beautiful red, white and blue ribbon. Charles Jackson is the captain of the Grant Club. Fish and ice cream were sold, and the entertainment was quite a success....The egg carnival given by the Blue Club of the Second Baptist Church, with Mrs. Della Harris as captain, on Tuesday night, May 18, at Company L Hall, was a grand success....An excellent reception and musical program was given May 20, at Mt. Emery Baptist Church, for the benefit of the three graduates, Susie Lynch, Alberta O'Leary and James Brown. The church was beautifully decorated in yellow and black colors....John Dunn and Earl Franklin have now opened up a very nice confectionery on South Main street....Theodore Wright has returned home from Bowling Green, Mo., Vandalia and Louisiana, Mo., where he has been representing "Hoaglan's Oil of Gladness" with much success....The Domestic Social Club met recently with Mrs. Edna McCallister, on South East street, and was royally entertained....Harry Crews has returned from Springfield, Ill., where he played with the Blind Orchestra....Rev. Mason preached an able sermon on "Education" at Mt. Emery Baptist Church, for the benefit of the three graduates, May 23....Wallace and Waggoner royally entertained the public at Mt. Emery Baptist Church, Monday evening, May 24. Mr. Waggoner, the famous musician, sung one of his laughing, jolly good songs. There was also a supper, and refreshments of all kinds were served. The entertainment was for the benefit of the church....Mr. Fuller and Willis Blue were baptized May 16 at Mt. Emery Baptist Church before a large audience....The lecture given May 18 at Mt. Emery Baptist Church, by Mrs. Miles, with sixty years' experience, was fairly well attended....The Dorcas Club met May 20 at Mt. Emery Baptist Church, and was entertained by the president.

MOUNDS, ILL.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Messrs. D. Scott and W. T. Taylor, engaged in blacksmithing and general wood work, are doing a hustling business....Rev. H. E. Swain, who is pastor of Pilgrims' Rest Baptist Church, in our city, is engaged in a series of revival meetings, assisted by the Rev. E. W. Norment, of Martin, Tenn....Rev. E. W. Redd, of the C. M. E. Church, is engaged in the erection of a parsonage on the rear end of the church lot....Milton Crawford is visiting friends and old acquaintances in and around Charleston, Mo., this week....John Williams, one of our most representative and hustling citizens, also father of Leonard Williams, the representative of The Freeman, is prepared to deliver anything from a trunk to a steam engine to any part of the city....J. H. Vandike, the energetic presser, cleaner and dyer of all kinds of clothing, corner of Main and Church streets, is visiting his mother at Paris, Tenn., a few days this week....Silver Standard Club No. 3, conducted by Mrs. H. T. McCorkle, and Jupiter Club No. 3, conducted by Mrs. S. J. Carr, in the interest of the A. M. E. Church, gave a very enjoyable entertainment on Tuesday and Saturday nights. The net proceeds were $15....Miss Minnie Howard took a trip with Miss Bertha Owens out to the Marcellus farm, in Valley Pacruse Settlement, late Saturday evening....Miss Serena Herman and Miss Mertle Cross paid Miss Cecelia McCorkle a visit Sunday....The U. B. F. and Mysterious Ten Lodge, No. 44, celebrated their annual thanksgiving sermon here last Sunday at Pilgrims' Rest Church. The sermon was ably preached by Rev. H. C. Swain, pastor of the church, who dwelt largely upon the obligations and duties of members, carefully contrasted with Christianity. As a whole, the sermon was eloquent, straightforward and powerful, and will doubtless do much good....The Epworth League met at 5 p. m., at the A. M. E. Church. Mr. John McDavid called the league to order, after an appropriate song was sung, and the following topics were ably discussed: "How Do Christians Stand in the Way of Cinners?" "What Is an Ungodly Man?" Rev. H. P. Patton led in discussing these subjects, very ably, followed by Miss Herman, Miss Brassfield, Mrs. Waters, Mr. Fogan and others. The following topics are to be discussed at the next meeting: "Importance of Missionary Work in Mounds," "Is the Church Meeting the Demands of the Day?" "Are the Ministers of the Town Meeting the Demands of the Hour?"

MOBILE, ALA.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

The Literary Improvement Club held their last meeting at the residence of Mrs. M. E. Jones, last week. After discussion of their line of work the guests were served to an elegant repast....Zion Church will soon erect a beautiful brick parsonage for the church. Work to be done by colored contractors; from the plans it will be modern and very comfortably equipped for future use....Samuel Morris returned last week from Pass Christian, Miss., where he has been in attendance at the Lvoe and Charity annual meeting. He reports that the work for 1909 was greatly improved; the financial report eclipsed all previous ones. The next meeting will be held in Montgomery, Ala., in May, 1910....At the Emerson Institute closing exercises, held in Zion Church, Prof. Phillips, of Montgomery, Ala., delivered the address to the graduating class, May 27....The Mobile County Medical and Dental Association held their last meeting at the residence of Dr. A. D. Simington. They report that their work seems to be growing among the people of Mobile. No doubt with the concentration of forces better results will follow....The Stone Street Baptist Church is undergoing repairs, and after completion it will be one of the best arranged churches of the city. The new pastor, Rev. Watkins, has worked with good results since the church has been under his charge. The B. Y. P. U. meetings are doing excellent work in this church.

DAYTON, OHIO.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

The Hotel Pleasant is getting too small for the present. The business is daily on the increase. The proprietor is preparing to add to the accommodations soon....Sam Williams, the hustling headwaiter of the Secor Hotel, is making a wonderful success. It is rumored that the colored waiters will eventually get the whole house....The concert at the Third Baptist Church was well attended....Warren A. M. E. Sunday services were successful. The presiding elder preached morning and evening. The children's dril was lively and animated. The girls seemed to be well trained for the occasion....Miss Jessie Brown is well again, after two weeks' illness....The card party which was given by the ladies of the All Saints' Woman's Auxiliary was a merited success. Mrs. French, the director of the All Saints' Choir, was the chairman. She can always be relied upon as a worthy leader....Call at the Elite Confectionery Shop, 706 Washington street, for all the leading colored newspapers. You can get the best bargains in candies and ice cream. Richards & Smith are there to please the most fastidious persons. Sunday, Decoration Day, flowers will be free to all....The U. B. of F. and S. M. T.'s held their annual thanksgiving services at Euclid Avenue A. M. E. Church, last Sunday. Rev. W. H. Coleman delivered the sermon. There was an excellent program rendered....The Rev. Miss Hale, the noted evangelist, of Louisville, held large, spell-bound congregations all day Sunday, and there were several additions to the church....Rev. De Soto Bass, pastor of the Wesleyan Church, was called out of the city last Sunday, and the Rev. Dr. N. H. Talbott was pastor pro tem, and preached the morning sermon to a large and interesting congregation, and appointed Rev. H. B. Mays to fill the pulpit at the evening service....The Colonial Club gave their annual banquet at Mallory's Hall last Friday evening. It was a "swell" affair....Rev. W. O. Harper has been recalled as pastor of Zion Baptist Church. Everything bids fair for a great success....Mrs. Maggie Adams, formerly of Indianapolis, Ind., lies seriously ill at Miami Valley Hospital....There was a contesting rally between the stewards and trustees of McKinley M. E. Church, last Sunday. Brother Berry Dickey and Brother Robt. J. Young were the representatives. The trustees were a little ahead. A very nice sum was realized....Rev. J. G. Robinson, pastor of Eaker Street A. M. E. Church, was called to Xenia on business last Friday, and returned in time to conduct his regular services Sunday....Miss Mattie Lewis and Mr. Lloyd Elliott spent Sunday in Cincinnati....The Knights of Tabor went to Cincinnati in a body to attend the annual sermon of the Knights of that city. Several visitors went with them, among them Mrs. Mary Cole, one of the mothers of McKinley M. E. Church....Mrs. N. H. Talbott and daughter Clara spent Tuesday in Cincinnati, on a shopping tour....Bethel Baptist Church has just successfully closed an industrial fair. Mr. Loudon Swift was chairman of the committee....Miss Edna Cruthers will leave for Indianapolis, Friday, to attend the bedside of her afflicted mother....The W. C. A. has purchased an elegant building on Fifth and Horace streets, and is doing very commendable work....Miss Margaret Evans, one of our popular chiropodists, has gone to Cincinnati for an indefinite time....Please telephone all items for The Freeman to Willie F. Talbott, 2916-K, or address 137 Olive street.

MT. VERNON, IND.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Mrs. Tenea Newton, of Evansville, is visiting Mrs. Maggie Holt...Mrs. Mattie Felton is on the sick list...Chas. Green and George Cheetam, of Terre Haute, are in the city...Mrs. Bettie Jones, Mrs. Millie Grant and Mrs. Bettie Miller, of Henderson, Ky., visited George Griggsby and family Sunday...James Lumpkins, of Colorado, is in the city...Henry Weston, of Henderson, Ky., was in the city Sunday...Solomon Mansfield was among the many that went to Evansville Sunday to the Court of Clantha and K. of P. sermon...Mrs. Lottie Montgomery, of Terre Haute, visited Mrs. Susan Davis and family Sunday...Guy Bishop, of Terre Haute, visited his parents Sunday...The program of the Relief Corps was quite interesting. Cora Bishop is president. The sermon deliveerd by Rev. T. J. White was well taken...Rev. J. Woodfork filled the pulpit for Rev. White Sunday...Born, to the wife of Rev. T. J. White, Saturday morning, a fine boy...Miss Goldie Donhue has returned from Corydon, where she had attended school for the past nine months, of which her sister, Miss Winnie is teacher...H. J. Thompson held services at Brewer Hill Sunday and the meeting was very spiritual. Mr. June Wilson was elected delegate to the District Conference and Mr. Henry alternate. Delegates to the Sunday school convention, Nancy Wilson and Maggie Nepolian... June and John Wilson are nearly through planting eighty acres of corn...Wm. Johnson and wife were visitors to Evansville Sunday.

SEKITON, OHIO.

Special to The Freeman.

Mrs. Willie Cowen, of High street, is visiting relatives in Somerset, Ky., for a few days....Mrs. Mary L. Fitch has opened the restaurant in connection with the Palm Garden resort....The Mission Board meeting Tuesday evening, at Mr. and Mrs. James Payne's, was an interesting affair. The first number on the program was a Dunbar poem, "The Seedling," by N. C. Hawkins. Mrs. M. E. Payne responded with an eloquent paper, entitled "The Incompetent Girl Graduate." Mrs. Mary Grubbs, Mrs. Creasey, Mrs. Mollie Ragland, Mr. Jas. Payne, Miss Creasey and Mrs. Mosie Smith assisted in singing several selections, which were well rendered....Mrs. Mattie Ray, of Coal City avenue, left Monday for College Hill to visit Mr. and Mrs. John Devon, whose son was severely scalded....Julius Hartshaw is not much improved....Mrs. Cora Garrett an dson Harry attended the funeral in North Bend Saturday....Mrs. Ida P. Hicks is at present employed in Taylor, Ky....Dr. J. M. Dillard, mayor, met with a serious accident Saturday evening, while out riding. The horse became frightened and threw the occupant to the sidewalk, breaking one rib and causing other minor bruises. The patient is resting quietly at the present writing....John Garrett, Edward Kirk and Henry Starks, of Hopkinsville, took a pleasure trip to Indianapolis, Ind., Sunday....The Mission Board will meet Tuesday evening at the residence of Mrs. M. E. Payne, 54 High street. A special program has been prepared....Rev. J. H. Brooks, of the C. M. E. Church, left Monday morning for a few days' visit in Covington, Ky., at the residence of Rev. Thompson, and at Cummingsville, at the residence of Rev. Crooks. He will return the latter part of the week....Rev. Calliman, D. D., of the Allen Temple Church, Cincinnati; Rev. Wyantt, D. D. (white), of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and Rev. J. H. Brooks, D. D., of the C. M. E. Church, will speak at the A. M. E. Church in Delhi, Thursday evening, June 3, at 7:30 o'clock....Mrs. Alberta Griggs entertained, Sunday afternoon, at her residence on Cincinnati avenue, a number of guests in honor of her departure for Chattanooga, Tenn., Friday morning, to visit relatives and be present at the memorial services at the National Military Cemetery....Mr. and Mrs. S. C. Watkins, of High street, entertained at tea, Sunday evening, Miss Smith, of Fairbank, Rev. J. W. White, of Cincinnati, and Mrs. Inez Johnson, of Fairbank....Mrs. Melissa Lucas, grandmother of Miss Maud Lucas, left Sunday for a ten days' visit among relatives in Columbus, Ky....Rev. J. W. Beatty, of Hopkinsville, is filling engagements every other Sunday in Covington, Ky., at the Ninth Street Baptist Church....Rev. W. H. Blackburn will give a grand rally and basket meeting the fourth Sunday in June at his church on Washington avenue. A number of good ministers and speakers have been engaged for the day....Ike Grubbs, bartender at the J. W. Gaines Cafe, has been suffering from a badly bruised hand.

MERIDIAN, MISS.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Mrs. Clara Shoemaker, who died at Shubuta, Miss., on May 22, was brought to Meridian on the 23. Her funeral was largely attended at St. Paul M. E. Church, of which she was a member. Her funeral was in charge of the Household of Ruth, Calanthas and Kights and Ladies of the World. The church was crowded to its utmost capacity. Rev. S. A. Cowan, the pastor, preached the sermon. She leaves a number of children and a host of friends. Interment in the Masonic cemetery. She was about forty-three years of age. She had been a Christian over twenty-five years...Miss Lemonia Murray, who has been attending school at Knoxville, Tenn., arrived in Meridian on May 22, to visit friends and relatives...Rev. E. P. Jones, of Vicksburg, and Hon. Geo. W. Gilliam, of Clarksdale, Miss., have been visiting our city the past week in the interest of society work, known as the United Reformers of A., E. A. I. A....Rev. L. S. Lee baptized several converts in the new pool that has been built in the basement of the New Hope Baptist Church on Sunday evening. Quite a large number were out to witness the ceremonies...Miss Bertha Smith, who has been attending Spellman's Seminary at Atlanta, Ga., on May 21 won the capital prize over 600 other girls...Rev. M. S. Jones preached the commencement sermon to the students of Lincoln at the First Congregational Church Sunday May 23, at 11 a. m. The church was crowded to its utmost capacity....Armster Cook, uncle of E. H. Gaston, who has been sick for some time, died on May 21 and was buried at the Masonic cemetery...I. T. Thomas has been quite sick at his home near the colored public school...We learn that the fourteen graduates of the Wechsler colored school did well. Prof. Wm. M. Hopkins needs to be commended...John Bonds is still quite sick at his home on 12th street, near 33d avenue....The students of the different schools are returning home on each tranl. In a few days they will all be in Meridian.

PARIS, KY.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Rev. G. R. Bryant, of Los Angeles, Cal., and two daughters have arrived, and he preached his first sermon Sunday....Wash Ranson's son is very ill at this writing. His son, of Indianapolis, Ind., is at his brother's bedside....The Paris Patriarch Camp was at Little Rock, Ky., under Capt. Bright, this week....The State G. A. R. held its session at Covington this week. The Woman's Relief Corps carried off a great many prizes among the colored ladies, one of the State officers elected being Mrs. Lillie Smith, of Paris....The G. A. R. and U. B. F. sermons were delivered at the Christian Church, Sunday. The speaker was Rev. Cambie, the pastor.

MARION, IND.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Mr. and Mrs. James Beal entertained at luncheon last Wednesday in honor of Mrs. Lon Lewis, of Indianapolis....Mrs. Emily Frazier is quite ill at the residence of her daughter, Mrs. Madison Knox, on South Branson street....Ed Sanders, of Indianapolis, was in the city last week in the interest of the Sanders Gents' Furnishing House, and succeeded in taking a number of orders....The grand rally at the Second Baptist Church, last Sunday, was a success. Rev. W. C. McColl, of Anderson, and congregation were in attendance. Rev. McColl occupied the pulpit at 3 o'clock and delivered an excellent sermon. The choir of his church rendered the music for this occasion. Rev. R. D. Leonard, of Union Tabernacle, Indianapolis, delivered one of his soul-stirring sermons, which every one enjoyed....Mrs. Sarah Peak is quite ill at her residence on Railroad avenue....Miss Grace Smith, of Hartford City, was the guest of her cousin, Mrs. Luella Smith, last week....The Bruce Lodge, No. 16, K. of P., will attend in a body the annual thanksgiving sermon of the K. of P. Lodge in Muncie, Sunday. The K. of P. Band of this city will accompany the lodge, which will go by chartered car....Dan Burden is home from Chicago, where he went to get a sister, who is very ill, and bring her home, but he found her too ill to be moved....The South Side Skating Rink will close Wednesday night, with a concert given by the K. of P. Band, and an excellent program has been prepared for the occasion....Mark Blakemore, of Anderson, was in the city Sunday. He is now playing the clarinet with the K. of P. Band of this city....John Burden, of Wabash, was the guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clinton Burden, last Sunday....The State convention of the Woman's Mite Missionary Society of the A. M. E. Church will be held in Richmond the second week in June, and the Zella D. Johnson Missionary Society of this city will be represented by Mrs. Katheryne Winslow and Mrs. Vina Claybrooks....The annual graduation exercises of the Marion High School will be held June 3, and we are proud to have three in this class—Miss Ella Pettiford, eldest daughter of Rev. J. F. Pettiford; Sidney Smith, the youngest son of Mrs. Parthena Smith, and Herman White, son of Mr. and Mrs. William White....Gilbert Taylor, formerly of Indianapolis, father of the famous bicycle rider, is in the hospital at the Soldiers' Home, seriously ill from a stroke of paralysis....Mrs. Mellison Craig is quite ill at her residence on South Nebraska street....Elmer Marshall is home from Logansport, where he has been working....The delegate to the Federation of Women's Clubs left Wednesday for the session in Kokomo.

DELHI, OHIO.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

The social given by the members of the B. Y. P. U. Saturday night was quite a success....A mass meeting will be held Sunday, at Sekiton, in the First Baptist Church. The Sabbath school board will be represented. W. T. Jackson, of 834 West Seventh street, will be the principal speaker....Mr. and Mrs. Scott Bailey and Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Rucker were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Brannon, in Sekiton, Sunday....Mrs. Ida Murphy, Mr. Charlie Hedges and Mr. Hubert Graves were among the guests at the J. W. Gaines residence, in Sekiton, Sunday....The Coleman & Johnson ice creame parlors are open every Saturday night, Sunday morning and evening....The members of the A. M. E. Church will give a May pole and ice cream social Saturday evening, at the church, on Washington avenue....Sabbath school and regular services were conducted Sunday morning at the First Baptist Church. Sunday afternoon Rev. Geo. Lewis preached at Sekiton, at the C. M. E. Rally....The services at the A. M. E. Church, Sunday, were postponed on account of the rally at Sekiton, Sabbath school being conducted at the usual time.

NEW ORLEANS, LA.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

The Thanksgiving service of the St. Elizabeth Temple No. 6, S. M. T. and U. B. F., were held last Sunday at the Tulane avenue Baptist Church...Miss Alice Harper is visiting her mother at St. Bernard, Pa., for one month.

MINEOLA, TEX.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Mrs. Mollie Jacobs' mother died last week after a short illness. She leaves a husband and a number of grandchildren....Mrs. May Armstrong, of Texarkana, passed through last week, en route to St. Louis, Mo....There will be a great many people ready to go to Oklahoma this coming fall....Miss Fessie Denard was in the city last week....William Mallory was here last week on business....Jack Reece was in Ft. Worth, Tex., three days last week.

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SPORTING GOSSIP of the WEEK.

SCRAPS FROM THE SPORTING WORLD

Pryor, of the Chicago Unions, is playing a good game.

The Mariana Giants played at Quincy, Fla., last week.

The little things not only help to win; they often win themselves. This goes for almost everything, too.

It takes brains to win a game, doesn't it? If you care to be shown, try a fellow who doesn't use his head.

The Nationals, of Paducah, Ky., defeated the Cairo Giants in their first game of the season, at Rowlandtown Park, before 500 enthusiastic fans.

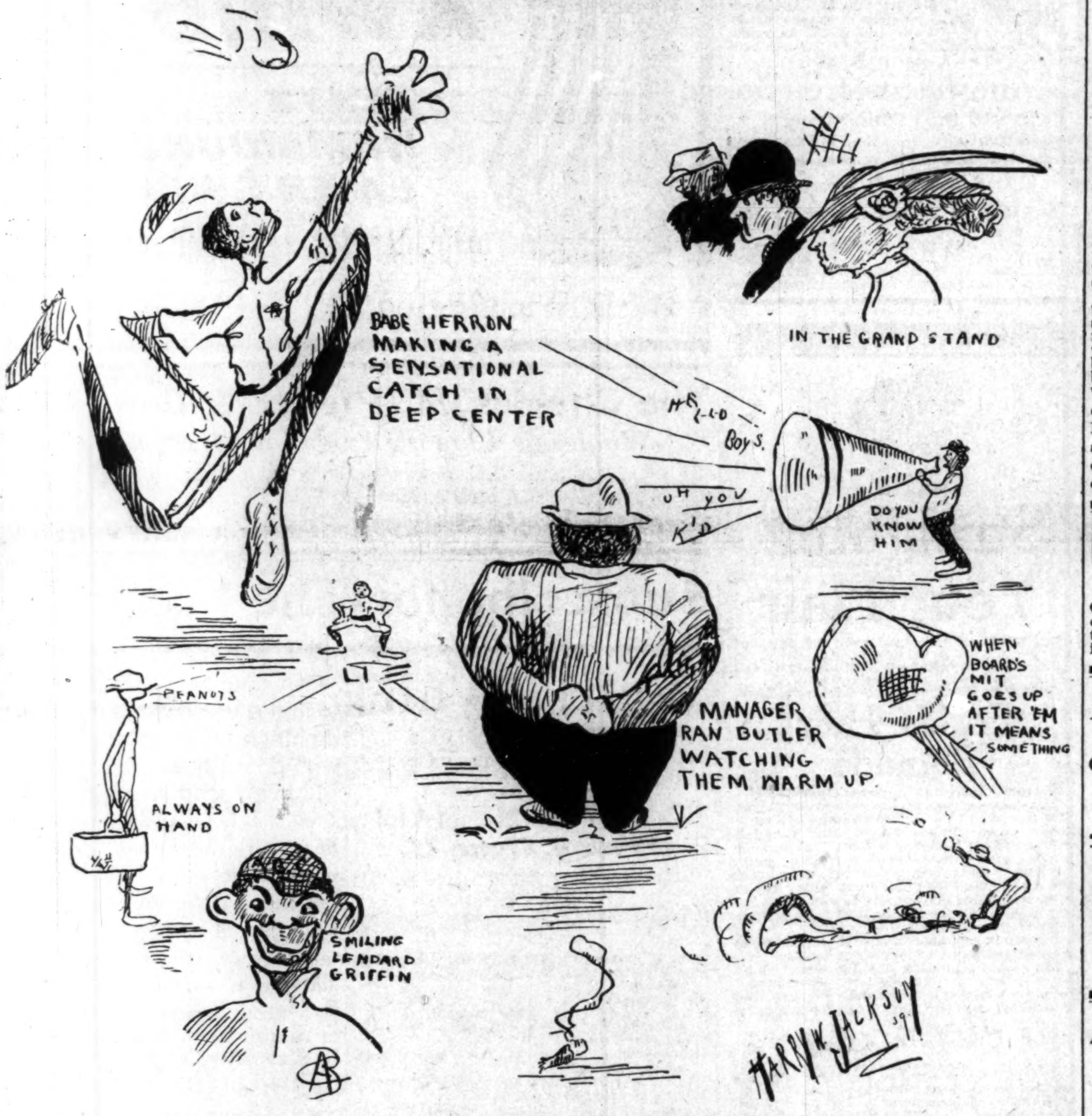
Some people would rather ride on a train on which a baseball team is traveling than any other. They have a belief that the players are lucky travelers.

In a series of fights held in Paris, France, May 28, "Jim" Barry, the Chicago heavyweight, knocked out Tom Bolan, an Englishman, in the first round, and a Frenchman named Hogan won from Dick Green, an American, in the third round. Green was knocked out.

The Keystone Colored Baseball Club opened the season at Minneapolis by shutting out the strong Faribault team, Saturday, May 22, and Sunday, May 23. In the first game Jessup let them down with one hit, and in the second game Jackson let them down with five hits, the game going eleven innings.

The Chicago Leland Giants found plenty to do at West Baden, Ind., Friday of last week, in defeating the West Baden Sprudels, it being a pitchers' battle and honors even until the twelfth inning, when the Giants scored on a safe hit to deep center, making the score 1 to 0. Batteries—Sprudels, Daugherty and Pierce; Giants, Ball and Booker. Attendance, 2,000.

SKETCHES FROM NORTHWESTERN BASE BALL PARK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WHO IS CHAMPION?

By Harry W. Jackson.

Jack A. Johnson, on December 26 last, defeated Tommy Burns, the recognized world's heavyweight champion at that time, at Sydney, New South Wales. In the fourteenth round of what was scheduled to be a twenty-round fight, after Johnson had unmercifully hammered Burns to a state of almost helplessness, the chief of police interrupted the fight, and thereupon Referee Hugh McIntosh awarded the decision to the big Texas fighter, and announced him the world's heavyweight champion. Johnson, prior to the fight, followed Burns through the States and across the waters, trying to clinch a chance to meet the French-Canadian in the roped arena. His efforts for a while seemed to be in vain, until Hugh McIntosh, the Australian fight promoter, matched the two. Burns even then tried to back out; he asked for $30,000 to meet Johnson, and this is the last purse that he has received. After Tommy's defeat, Johnson played for several weeks in the Australian and English music halls as the champion heavyweight of the world.

Now champion of the "heavies," it was up to him to defend his title. Langford, "Terrible" Sam, with a host of others, challenged Johnson for the big crown. So many challenges were made that the question arose as to the best man to win the title. "Terrible" Sam was looked upon as the best man, but Langford was a member of the black race, and, of course, from that standpoint he did not meet the general approval of the sporting world. Finally Jim Jeffries, behind closed doors, began training. Then he became the man to win the laurels, and, as Jim Corbett said, to bring the championship back to the white race. Jeffries is still in training, preparing to "defeat" Johnson.

Langford, as aforesaid, was, and is yet, considered a good man to defeat him, but to have these two battle for the highest honors of the pugilistic world looked to our neighbors to be too much of a family affair. Nevertheless the two were matched, or rather agreed to fight abroad, the date for which has passed. But on the same date Langford met Ian Hague, champion heavyweight of England, and defeated him in four rounds. Hague was outclassed in every respect of the game. Though outweighing his opponent he was at his mercy from start to finish. Sam showed that he was made of championship stuff. According to the National Sporting Club and press of the big city of England, Langford is the world's champion. The claim on which he is called the champion is because of Johnson's forfeiting to Langford. May 24 was the date when the two Americans were to fight, for which go Langford made the challenge. Now "champion," he says that Johnson must challenge if he wants to dispute his right to holding the title.

Stanley Ketchel, middleweight champion—with whose title Billy Papke is tampering—also challenged Jack Johnsen for the heavyweight title, to take place in October of the coming fall. Ketchel forced Johnson to put up a forfeit of $5,000 to bind a fight. But now Johnson seems to have changed his mind, and he has said that he does not intend to battle the Michigan fighter. Ketchel says that if Johnson refuses to fight him when the day comes, the heavyweight title, as well as the $5,000, belongs to him. From this it looks as if "Artha" might lose that which he had some trouble in getting.

When Jim Jeffries spoke in reference to his claim on the title, "Artha's" recognition as champion of champs looked questionable, and as Jeffries still makes the claim, Johnson's right to the throne—from the standpoint of Jeffries' claim—is still in question. Jeffries says that he was never defeated when he was champion and that he retired as champion. Now out of the game, Marvin Hart was recognized as the heavyweight champion. Both the press and followers of the game say that Hart was given the title by Jeffries himself. But at any rate, the Califorsian did not make the slightest objection to Hart being called the heavyweight champion. Hart met Tommy Burns in a championship battle, with no objection from Jeffries as to the same. Tommy won the fight, and was pronounced the defender of the title; still no objection from Jeffries. Burns fought in seven matches in America as champion—and Jeffries was not heard from. Across the waters Burns sailed, and there Moir, Palmer, Roche, Smith, Squires and Lang went down before him—"mum" was the word with Jeff. Johnson, the fellow, you know, who played the hound on the trail of the fox, met the champion and gave him a threshing like mother used to give, seized the title and became the champion of the world. This aroused Jeffries, and he has now, as aforesaid, put in his claim for the title.

Johnson says that he is rightfully the heavyweight champion. "Tommy Burns was champion," says Jack. "I defeated him; that makes me the champion."

BASEBALL PUZZLE.

Certain newspaper in several cities are worrying the baseball fans with the question, "What is the maximum number of hits a team can make in nine innings without scoring?"

It is 54 or 56 hits per game. How? Well, the first man up makes a single and is caught stealing. The next batter also hits safely, and he, too, falls a victim to the base purloining habit. The following three hitters make infield swats, filling the bases. Now comes the joker.

A batter cannot get credit for a hit where a base runner is caught, so we are compelled to have one of the base runners hit with a batted ball, the man thus winged being declared out, while the batter gets a hit under the rules. No runs can be scored. That makes six hits per inning. Six multiplied by nine equals 54. All right in theory, but nix on the practice.

LELANDS PLAY NASHVILLE.

CHICAGO.—The Leland Giants left Monday for Nashville, Tenn., under the biggest guarantee ever given a semi-professional team. They are scheduled for Louisville, Ky., and West Baden, Ind.

TWO FOR DALLAS.

DALLAS, Tex.—Dallas beat the Austin boys in two games Saturday and Sunday. The first game resulted in a score of 7 to 1, the second 3 to 2. The attendance was 3,000.

CUBS WANT GAMES.

LOUISVILLE, Ky.—The Louisville Cubs, claimants of the championship of the South, will play all other good, strong teams. If you can't play ball don't waste any stamps. All telegrams must be prepaid. Open dates. Address E. D. Lee, manager, 1221 W. Walnut street, Louisville, Ky.

"TERRIBLE" SAM STOPS HAGUE IN 4TH ROUND

Langford Shows Better Knowledge of Game—Was Favorite 2 to 1—Hague Wore Bandages.

LONDON, May 24.—Sam Langford, the colored heavyweight of Boston, knocked out Ian Hague, the heavyweight champion of England, in the fourth round at the National Sporting Club here to-night. The fight, which was for a purse of $9,000 and the championship, was scheduled to go twenty rounds.

The ring generalship which he had picked up in many battles enabled Langford to score a comparatively easy victory over Hague, and the fourth round had barely commenced when the burly Yorkshire man was floored by a well-directed blow and counted out.

Langford was at a distadvantage as regards weight, height and reach, but his superior knowledge of ring tactics and his quickness overcame this, and what was expected to be a long contest proved to be a very brief one.

In the first round Hague was slow to start. Langford had a shade the better of it until the end of the round, when Hague reached him with a hook to the jaw. This seemed to encourage the Britisher, and, although no damage was done in the second round, he showed more cleverness than the colored man.

Langford opened the third round with a hard left to the face, and he used this blow effectively several times before the gong sounded. Hague, however, partially closed the American's eye with a hard right swing.

The men came together in a fast mixup at the opening of the fourth round, and Langford put a terrific right on the Yorkshire man's chin, which ended the contest. A record crowd saw the fight, and the American was a warm favorite, considerable money being bet at 2 to 1 and 5 to 2 on him to win. There was some dispute when the men came into the ring over the bandages on Hague's hands, but Langford's objections were speedily overcome, and the Yorkshire man was allowed to wear them.

WOULD MEET ALL COMERS.

Pop Watkins' Giants Ready to Arrange for Games.

CHARLOTTE, N. C.—Pop Watkins, for several years captain of the Cuban Giants, has organized a team of his own. The following is the line up: Recklin, 2d base; B. Goodwin, 3d base; Pop Watkins, 1st base and manager; T. Adison, short stop; F. Parks, catch; B. Holland, left field; B. Reese, W. Mitchell, G. Mc Donald, J. Hampton and L. Garrison, pitchers, and W. Wheggs and F. Roberts, catchers. For games address Pop Watkins, No. 94 Rockwell Place Brooklyn, N. Y. He would like to hear from the Louisville and Indianapolis teams.

CLARKSDALE TIGERS WIN.

Defeat Memphis Union Giants—Opening of Season.

CLARKSDALE, Miss.—The Clarksdale Tigers opened the season here with the Memphis Union Giants. The local boys clinched the game in the first inning, piling up seven runs. They batted Edwards all over the lot. The features of the game was Amps' good pitching, E. Williams' base running, Berry's fielding for the visitors, W. Williams' long throw. Monday's game was postponed on account of rain. The Tigers will leave next week forTennessee and Arkansas, where they expect to pick up some loose change. Manager Fields says he has the best colored team in the state of Mississisippi, barring none.

Score—Clarksdale Tigers, 10; Memphis Union Giants, 5.

Batteries—Clarksdale Tigers, Amps and Donahue; Memphis Union Giants, Edward and Fowler. Errors—Tigers, 5; Giants, 11. Hits—Off Amps, 6; off Edward, 13.

NOTES OF THE GAME.

Amps, of the Tigers, made more put outs than any other man on his team.

Donahue, catcher for the Tigers, couldn't hit the ball.

Opening game of the Tigers' season.

One, two, three, four, five—double it and add one and you will have the number of errors made by the Giants.

Amps fanned eight batters.

The Tigers certainly sent them out to center field, but it was the same as throwing the sphere into a well, as Johnson of the Giants was always there with his mit.

Third baseman Balls had grease in his glove.

Peoples played a good article of ball at shortstop.

Fort Worth and Dallas will play double headers today and tomorrow.

PLUTOS SNATCHED TWO FROM RED SOX

French Lick Team Blank Rivals in Saturday's Game by a Score of 11 to 0—Sunday's Game 6 to 5.

FRENCH LICK, Ind.—The Plutos are putting up a fine article of ball. Their lattesct opponents were the Red Sox, who were beaten in two games last Saturday and Sunday. The score of Saturday's game:

Plutos ....2 2 0 3 0 1 0 2 1—11
Red Sox ....0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0— 0

Batteries — Washington, Crittenden; Robinson, Mitchell.

Saturday's game was featured by the hitting of Sneed, who hit for four singles, and all round work of the Plutos.

Sunday's game:

Plutos ....6 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0—6
Red Sox..........2 3 0 0 0 0 0 0 0—5

Batteries — Harris, Chevault; Merre, Spears.

Monday's game was called off on account of rain. Plutos would like to hear from all first-class teams desiring games. Address John Chevault, Box 92.

NEW ORLEANS PLAY MOBILES.

Game Today at Fair Grounds—Ladies' Day—New Grand Stand.

MOBILE, Ala.—The Colored Amusement Company will have a baseball game at the fair grounds to-day, between the New Orleans and Mobiles. The Mobile club, under the management of Bud Davis, has been showing form during practice. A large crowd is expected. This will give the ladies an opportunity to witness the national game, as there has been added to the park an excellent grand stand for the convenience of the patrons.

TIGERS LOSE TWO MORE.

Kansas City (Kan.) Giants Won Three Games of Series.

ST. LOUIS, Mo.—The Tigers have lost three of a four-game series to the Kansas City Giants. The fourth game was postponed on account of rain. Score of second game:

K. C. Giants.......0 0 2 0 0 1 0 1 1—5
Tigers ....0 0 1 0 0 0 0 0 1—2

Batteries—Giants, Childs and Tenny; Tigers, Dismukes, Dickson and Pimpy. Umpire, Bradely.

Third game—

K. C. Giants......0 0 1 0 0 1 2 0 0—4
Tigers ....0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0—0

Batteries—Giants, Norman and Tenny; Tigers, Neal and Carey.

Anson's Colts, 8; West Ends, 4.

Anson's Colts defeated the West Ends by the score of 8 to 4, at West End Park, by timely hitting. Opfergelt was knocked out of the box in the fifth inning, when three tallies were made off him. Vance then went in, but in the ninth the Ansons made three more. The Colts came from behind and won by hard swatting. McNichols carried off the honors for his team, both in batting and fielding. Score: Two-base hit—Schaller. Home run—Krueger. Double play—McNichols to Austin. Struck out—By Bradshaw, 4; by Opfergelt, 1. Bases on balls—Off Bradshaw, 2; off Opfergelt, 2; off Vance, 4. Umpire—White. Time—2:10.

BIRMINGHAM WINS TWO.

BIRMINGHAM, Ala.—The Birmingham Giants defeated the Chattanoogas in two fast games, Monday and Tuesday of the past week. The first game resulted in a score of 7 to 2 and the second 5 to 2. C. Taylor pitched the first game and allowed the visitors but three taps. J. B. Taylor pitched Tuesday's game, and starred with his superb control of the ball. Of the twenty-seven put-outs, J. B. is credited with thirteen, which were strike-outs. The Tennessee boys have a strong team, but were helpless on the Giants' grounds.

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Mr. and Mrs. Fred Patridge spent Sunday at Terre Haute.

Mrs. Henrietta Morgan, of Chicago, is visiting Mrs. Jacob Porter.

Mrs. Will James is ill at their new home, 2050 Fountain avenue.

Dr. Robert F. Harper has been confined to the house the past week by illness.

Charles A. Smith, of Champaign, Ill., was in the city a few days last week.

Max Saunders, head waiter of the Selbach Hotel, Louisville, Ky., was in the city Sunday.

The Interdenominational Ministers' Meeting held its closing meeting of the series Tuesday.

Mrs. N. A. Pius, of Springfield, O., attended the marriage of Miss Nellie Fermon, this week.

Mrs. Genevieve Ratliffe entertained the Frau Frau Club yesterday at her home in Talbott avenue.

Laurence Crump was called to Kentucky this week because of the serious illness of his sister.

Harry Peyton, after a two weeks' visit with relatives and friends, left Wednesday for Montreal, Canada.

The "Junior" Club of Olivet Baptist Church is succeeding finely. Miss Harriet Clark is its president.

C. L. Maxey, of Atlanta, Ga., graduated Wednesday evening from the Indiana Law School at Indianapolis.

If you have not heard Mr. Hanson, the blind organist, come to Bethel A. M. E., June 8. He will play for you.

Prof. Will Hoffman, of the St. Louis public schools, spent Sunday and Monday with Mrs. Hoffman in this city.

Don't forget the date of the recital at Bethel A. M. E. Church, Tuesday evening, June 8. Admission only 15 cents.

The Bachelors are arranging elaborate plans for their annual outing, to be given at Mound Park, Anderson, June 18.

Master Willie Lytle, of Hopkinsville, Ky., will spend the summer with his aunt, Mrs. William Hummons, in this city.

Mrs. Minnie E. Davis, of Nashville, widow of the Rev. James A. Davis, is visiting friends in this city and at Franklin, Ind.

Mrs. Elizabeth L. Howard, of Des Moines, Iowa, the evangelist, will occupy the pulpit at Allen Chapel Sunday evening at 8 o'clock.

Prof. J. M. Benson and wife, of Mt. Vernon, are spending several days in the city. They are stopping with Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Knox.

Mrs. Vina Carson, aged eighty-eight years, died Monday at the home of her granddaughter, who is the wife of Capt. J. H. Thomas.

Frank Brown, who has been traveling with Cole and Johnson's "Reed Moon" company, will come Monday to spend some time with his parents in this city.

The marriage took place Wednesday evening, at the home of her brother, Rev. B. J. Farrell, 1103 North West street, of Miss Effie Farrell to Julian Bowling.

W. H. Robbins, THE FREEMAN representative at Muncie, Ind., was in the city Tuesday. Mr. Robbins visited Maceo Lodge No. 10, K. of P., Tuesday evening.

The Missionary Circle of the Witherspoon Church will hold a public meeting Tuesday evening at the residence of Mrs. George Brabham, 515 West Eleventh street.

James J. Turner, of Providence, R. I., but formerly of Indianapolis, sailed Saturday, May 29, for Kingston, Jamaica.

Mrs. Mary Mays, nurse for the Flower Mission, is improving from an attack of typhoid fever.

Julian Bawling and Effie Jones were married before a number of friends, at the residence of Rev. B. F. Ferrell, on Wednesday evening, at 8 o'clock. Mr. Thomas Cunshaw acted as best man and Rev. Ferrell gave the bride away.

Miss Katie B. Harrison, a teacher of Louisville, Ky., attended the commencement exercises of the Winona Technical Institute, at which Ward Wilson, her cousin, graduated in pharmacy. She was entertained during her stay by Mrs. W. F. Williamson.

The Baptist Ministers' Alliance, by special invitation, held its weekly meeting at Bridgeport, Monday, at the First Baptist Church. There were fourteen Baptist ministers present. Rev. H. J. Callis and Thomas E. Taylor were special guests. An elaborate chicken dinner was served. The ministers will picnic at Broad Ripple July 8.

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Rehearsals are still in progress for the play, "A Girl's Secret," to be given by the Decem Discipulæ, a club of ten young women, at Simpson's Chapel, Friday evening, June 11. The cast is as follows: Miss Wilkins, school mistress, Beulah B. Beck; Gypsy Fortune Teller, Maurine E. Moss; Hazel Hunter, poor, but bright student, Olivia Cravis; Julia Jermaine, rich and jealous of Hazel, Myrtle Broadie; Winnie Wallace, friend of Hazel, Rose A. Henderson; Lotty Lawrence, Mary Fields; Margaret Manning, Flossie Davis; Ethel Edwards, Adelaide Thornton; Mary Minturn, Helen Pritchett. The play promises to be a great success and the hit of the season. Selections by local talent will be given between the three acts.

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BUSINESS MEN HAVE AGREED UPON ARTHUR A. MARCY FOR CITY CLERK.

The business men of the city have unanimously agreed upon the fitness of Arthur A. Marcy. The stock of this young business man has developed rapidly in the last few days from a political point. He has been discussed from every possible angle by the conservative business elements, who have passed upon him as the right man for the office. This conclusion was reached not hastily, but upon careful investigation of the man. His lang and successful career in the business world has been one of his strongest indorsements. The people feel that if he conducts the duties of the office with as much business sagacity and forethought as has attended all of his commercial activities, that he is going to prove the political find of the campaign.

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THE COLORED CITIZENS.

The colored citizens had an interesting meeting at the court house, yesterday afternoon. Rev. J. H. Manley, D. D., presiding elder, Indianapolis District, A. M. E. Zion Church, preached a forcible and intelligent sermon. A number of white citizens also attended. At night Rev. Manley preached at Little Bethel A. M. E. Zion Church, corner Maple and Ohio streets. Fully one hundred persons were turned away, so densely packed was the church. Rev. Dr. B. G. Shaw, pastor of Hood Temple A. M. E. Zion Church, Evansville, with an intelligent quartet from his church, rendered excellent services. Rev. Shaw and his congregation built this year a beautiful church on Fulton avenue, at a cost of $7,000. The advice that Manley, Shaw and Prof. Benson gave their people yesterday and last night had the right ring, and more of such sermons are bound to produce good results. Rev. J. L. McDonald is the pastor of this church in this city, and he has done well for the time that he has been here, so we learn. The quartet will sing again to-night at Felton's Hall, 109 Main street, and tomorrow night Rev. B. G. Shaw will preach at Zion Church.—The Evening Sun, Mt. Vernon, Ind.

C. M. Hayes has opened a first-class dining room at Baltimore, Md., and anything in the line of good eating can be had at a moderate price. Corner Lee and Eutan, 538 South Eutan street.

MEETING OF INDIANA STATE FEDERATION AT KOKOMO.

The fifth annual session of the State Federation of Colored Women's Clubs was held at Kokomo, Ind., May 26-28, inclusive. The meetings were held at the A. M. E. Church. Thirty-eight clubs were represented by sixty-two delegates. The meeting of the executive board occupied Wednesday. The meeting of the Federation was presided over by Mrs. Minnie Scott, the State President. On Wednesday evening Mrs. Beulah Porter, of Indianapolis, gave an able address before the Federation on the subject, "The Outlook for the Negro Youth of the North." The address proved one of the special features of the meeting.

Thursday morning devotional exercises were followed by impressive memorial exercises to the memory of the nine members of the various clubs belonging to the Federation who have died during the last year. Many touching eulogies were given by members who were friends of the deceased. The services were in charge of Mrs. Gertrude Guthrie. Mrs. A. M. Cooper, First Vice-President, who represented the State at the National meeting at Brooklyn, read an interesting paper, giving an exhaustive account of the meeting. The paper was an interesting feature of the day's proceedings. The reports of the work being done by the clubs in the State showed much real good being accomplished, and a financial rating of over $2,000 for club property. The art exhibit was a conspicuous feature of the sessions, and a high grade of workmanship was displayed in the fine needlework, painting and general specimens of art work displayed. The reports of the general officers showed a rapid development in the various departments of the State work. The State Organizer's report showed twenty-one clubs, representing over 400 women, brought into the Federation during the last two years. Ten clubs were brought in during the past year.

The Federation was the guest of the Zenith Club of Kokomo, which spared no pains to make the session a pleasant one, and to provide each of the sixty-two delegates comfortable homes. A reception was given in honor of the delegates Wednesday evening, and musical and literary entertainments were given each evening during the session.

The officers elected for the coming year are: Minnie Scott, President; Anna H. Cooper, First Vice-President; May Gaston, Second Vice-President; Carrie N. Phillips, Corresponding Secretary; Jessie D. Wade, Recording Secretary; Anna P. Julius, Treasurer; Asenath Artis, State Organizer; Emma J. Hickman, Chairman Executive Board. Indianapolis will be the place of meeting in 1910.

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Y. M. C. A. NOTES.

This time of the year is called the inactive season among Young Men's Christian Associations of the country, but this does not obtain in the colored association in this city, which is a very busy hive. Painters and paperhangers are doing what they can to make the picae clean and home-like from top to bottom with fresh paint and paper. A much needed addition will be made this year when shower baths will be installed for the use of members. A small additional fee will be charged for this privilege and great rejoicing is going on among the membership, as this has been so badly needed.

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An addition to the staff will be made soon when Harrison Mays, one of the leaders in the Physical Department, who has decided to enter Association work as a life work and who will take a course at the Association Summer School for Physical Directors at Lake Geneva, Wis., will take charge of the Physical Department under the supervision of Secretary Taylor, who has been doing this work in addition to his many other duties.

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Nightly the men and boys can be seen enjoying the various activities which are planned by Secretary Taylor and the chairmen of the splendid volunteer corps which he has been able to get together, and on next Monday they will meet in the Association rooms to discuss plans for the fall and winter activities in their various departments. There are seventeen chairmen of committees who have in hand the various departmental work conducted under the auspices of the Association. These chairmen are surrounded by a band of 112 strong, virile young men who constitute the working force of the Association, and under the training received from the General Secretary are now very active and useful in the work of this progressive Association, which is now leading the other Colored Associations in the variety of activities undertaken successfully.

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As the warm nights come on, the gymnasium men and boys take to the streets, and dashes, relay and long distance runs are participated in to the enjoyment of all.

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The literary men have started the Senate, which runs during the summer months in place of the regular literary. This new feature is one that all enjoy. At present a bill is under discussion relating to the disfranchisement of the Negro in the South. This bill was introduced by Senator Root (W. H. Galloway). Senator Tillman (Henry Henderson) spoke against it, Senator Beveridge (Geo. W. Beasley) defended and others will discuss it. All men are invited to attend and have seats in the spectators' gallery.

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The class in stenography will continue its sessions through the summer.

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The Sunday morning Bible class, which meets on Sundays at 8 a. m., continues through the summer as usual. Attendance at the class is open to all men without charge.

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The orchestra makes the building ring with sweet music on each Friday evening when it practices as does also the glee club, which practices on Thursday.

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The various committees are busy every night getting ready planning new work and getting ready for the work that is contemplated to be taken up in the fall.

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The boys' department is the effervescent department of the Association and great good is being accomplished with them. Already they are showing great improvement in deportment and otherwise, and great things are expected of this department in the near future. A room in the building has been set aside for their exclusive use. The gymnasium, Bible class and club and social events are well attended. A fee of $1 a year is charged the boys and this gives them privileges in all activities and also the use of the shower baths without extra charge. All boys up to 17 years of age are eligible for membership. Owing to lack of room, a limit of fifty boys has been put on this department, and it will be a case of "first come first served."

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The school-closing exercises at New Hope Baptist Church, Thursday and Friday nights, were far better than usual. Prof. T. C. Martin is principal of East Hill School, and Prof. T. W. Pratt of the North School....Cain Baty is on the sick list....Mrs. Emma Jones is convalescent. ....Mrs. Conley has gone to join her husband, Dr. Conley, in Fort Worth....Riley Wright has returned from a trip to east Texas, where he visited relatives....Mack Hopkins is on the sick list....R. F. Tave is convalescent....Mr. and Mrs. Freeman Barton have lost their twin boys....Tom Pratt, after a long illness, passed away Thursday, May 27, and was buried Friday, under the auspices of the Odd Fellows.

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Thomas Willson, who has been confined to his bed, is up again....Mrs. John Smith is visiting friends in Mt. Vernon, Ohio....C. C. Powell, of Tuskegee, Ala., has been in this locality for some time in the interest of the school, and has met with much success....R. H. Spencer, formerly of the Cuban Giants, is very proud to learn through THE FREEMAN that the boys are playing such fine ball these days.

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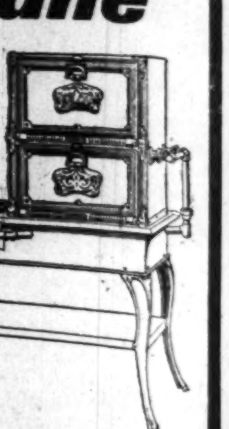

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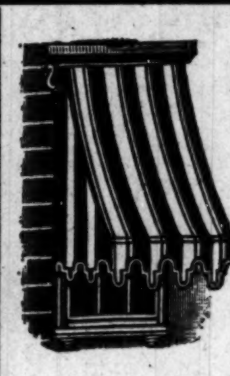

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